

NAME
IS RICHEK

...AND RICHEK
HATE FLYING.

HARVEY DOES NOT LIKE FLYING EITHER.



THIS IS PERHAPS WHY HARVEY DID NOT
COME WITH RICHEK ONTO PLANE.

DO NOT MISUNDERSTAND
RICHEK. IS NOT THAT
AMERICA IS BAD PLACE



IS LACK OF CHOICE
THAT RICHEK WAS GIVEN

WELL, IS NOT TRUTH. THERE
WAS CHOICE, BUT RICHEK IS
NOT GOING BACK TO
AFGHANISTAN.



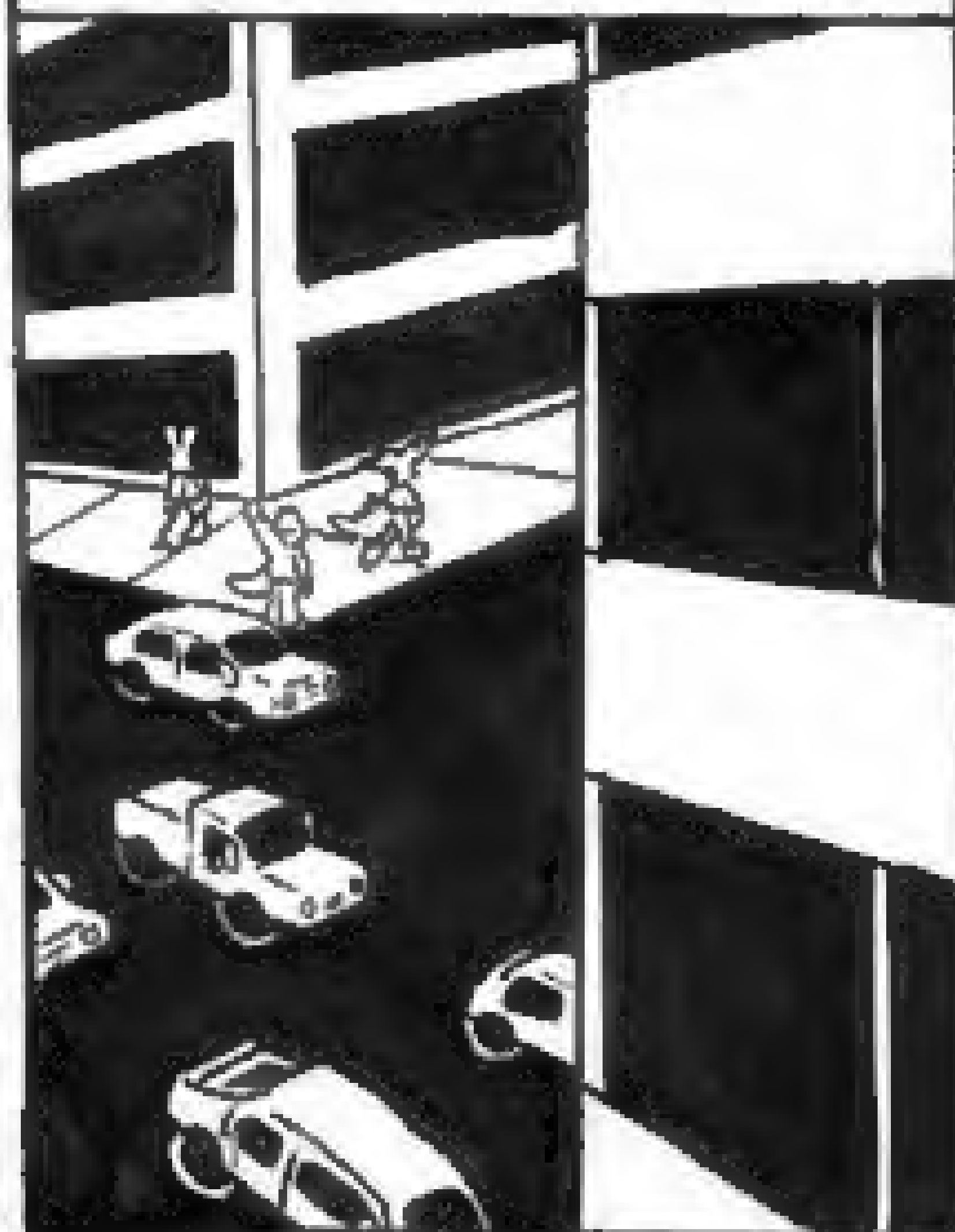
SO RICHEK'S PLANE LANDS AND
RICHEK'S TOES TOUCH AMERICA
FOR FIRST TIME AND IT FEELS NO
DIFFERENT THAN ST. PETERSBURG.



RENTAL CAR NOT BAD. VERY
NICE. RICHEK NOT ALLOWED CAR
BACK IN HOME COUNTRY, BUT
RICHEK FOOL BOSS INTO BELIEVING
RICHEK COULD NOT FUNCTION IN
AMERICA WITHOUT AUTOMOBILE.



SO BOSS PAY FOR RENTAL AND
RICHEK SIT ON PHONE BOOK
AS RICHEK FOLLOWS HARVEY'S
DIRECTIONS TO OFFICE OF FBI.





RICHEK ALWAYS LIKE LOOKING AT
AMERICAN GIRLS. OFFICER JUSTI WOULD BE
VERY GOOD FOR RICHEK'S IMAGINATION.



FORGIVE ME FOR NOTICING, BUT
ARE ALL RUSSIANS SO SHORT?



IS ALL RIGHT. RICHEK EXPECT
SILLY QUESTIONS FROM AMERICAN GIRLS

RICHEK WOULD HAVE LIKED
AN OFFICER JUSTI TO CUDDLE
NEXT TO DURING ENDURANCE
TRAINING IN SIBERIA.



AS IT HAPPENED THOUGH



RICHEK WAS PAIRED
WITH ANOTHER MAN.

IS FINE. AFTER ALL,
RICHEK CAME HOME.
OTHER MAN...



LET US SAY... IS
STILL IN SIBERIA.

DID YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEM FINDING OUR BUILDING?
MOST PEOPLE GET LOST.



RICHEK LIKE SARGEANT NAILER, WHEN LOOKING THROUGH FILES IN ST. PETERSBURG, RICHEK FIND CASE SARGEANT NAILER WAS INVOLVED IN BEFORE FBI.



SOME KID DECIDE HE NO LONGER A BOY AND USE A MAN'S GUN TO TAKE ENTIRE CLASSROOM HOSTAGE.



RICHEK REMEMBER BECAUSE RICHEK LAUGHED AND CALLED KID GOUNO WHEN RICHEK READ KID WAS SHOT IN ASS.

I'VE GOT TO BE HONEST WITH YOU, MISTER RICHEK. I'M NOT A BIG FAN OF THIS FOREIGN EXCHANGE PROGRAM THAT THE FBI HAS GOING WITH THE RUSKIES...



IS FINE. NEITHER DO ROOSKIES. IS WHY THEY SEND YOU RICHEK.



AND NOT SOMEONE WHO KISSES BOSS'S ASS.



HEH. WE SENT YOUR GUYS A USELESS SOB. THE KIND THAT USES HIS FAMILY TO GET PROMOTED.

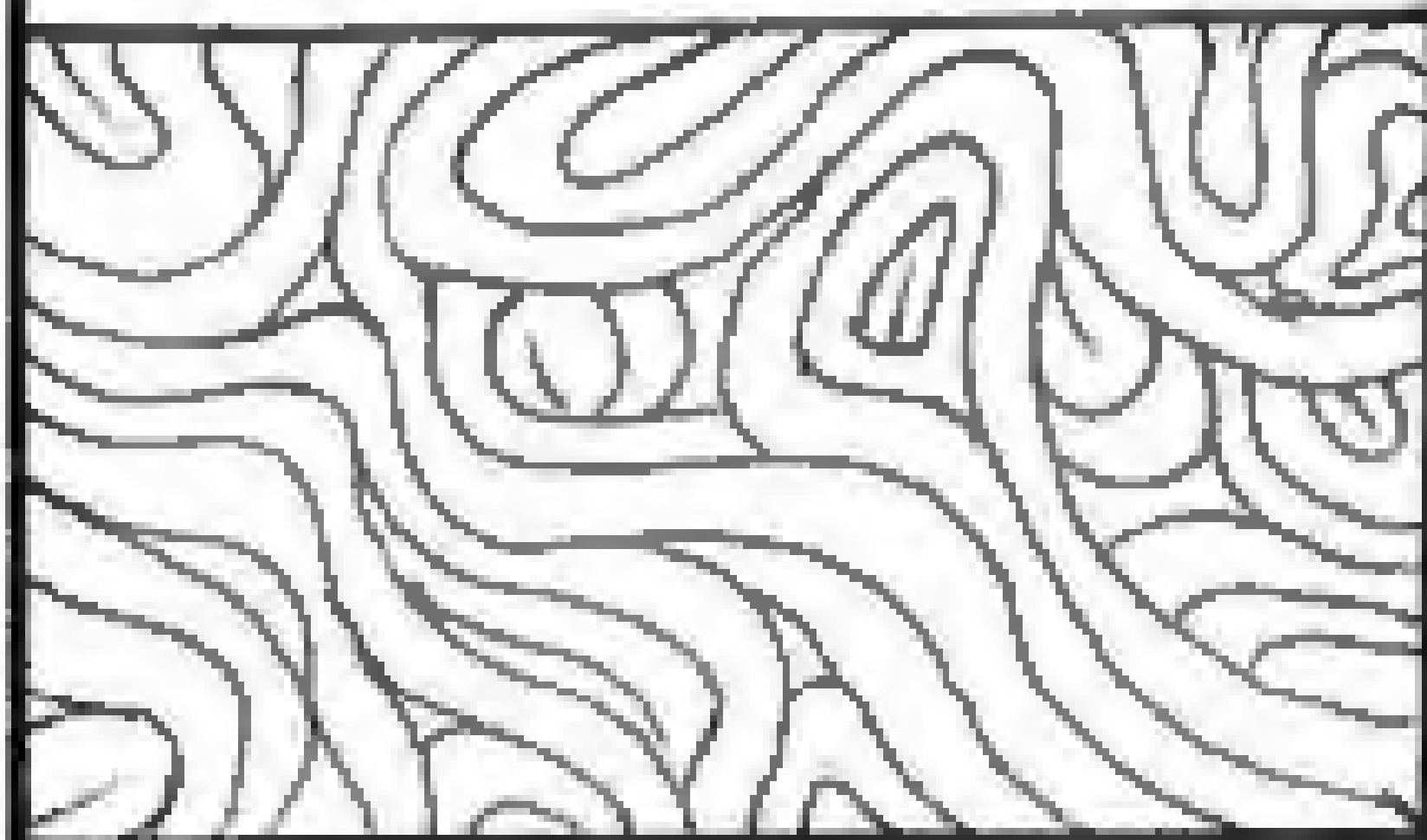
RICHEK HAS MANY BOSSES THAT ARE JUST SO. THEY WILL GET ALONG FINE.



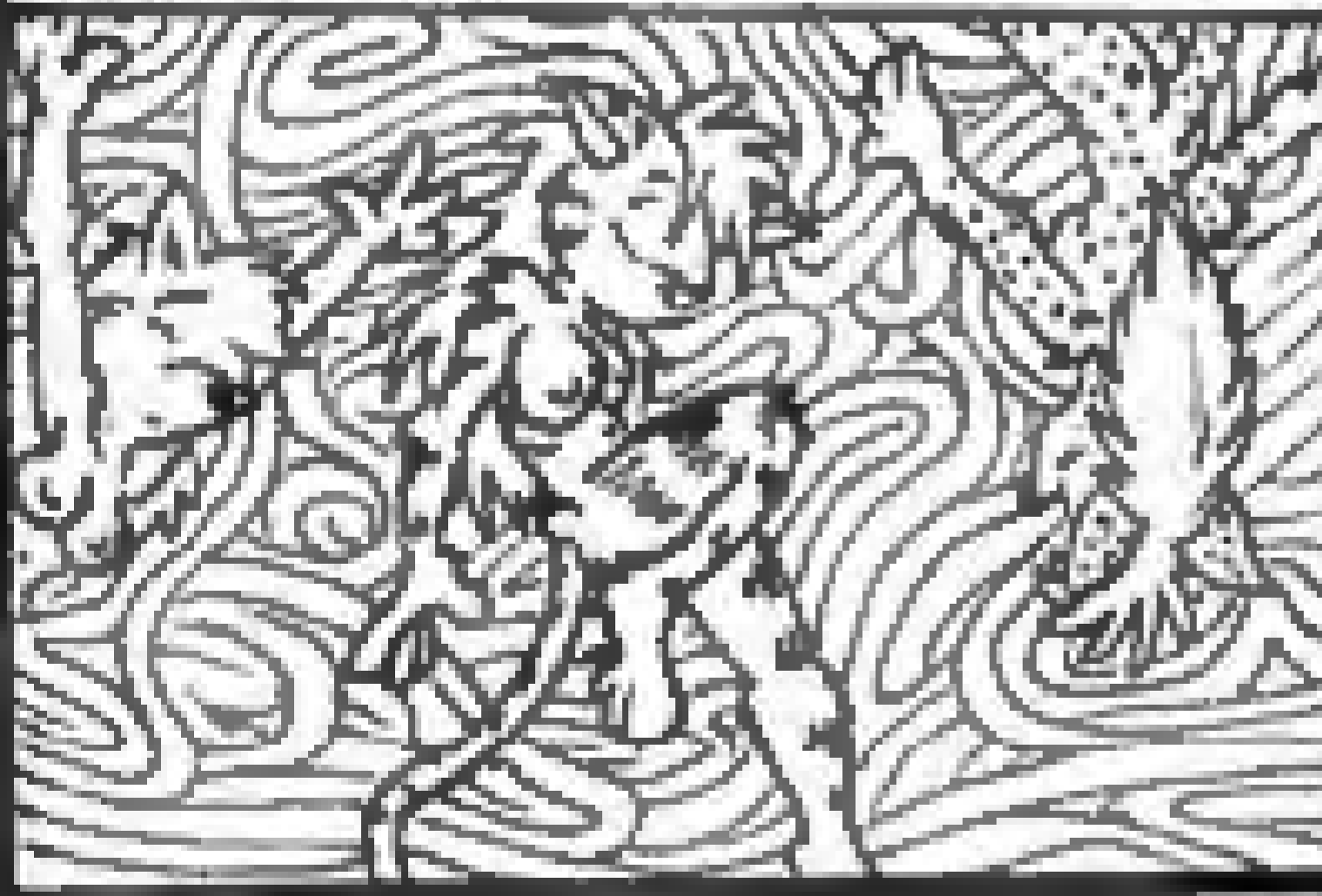
AND AFTER THIS BRIEF TEST OF CHARACTER, SARGEANT NAILER EXPLAIN TO RICHEK THE DETAILS OF RECENT MURDERS...



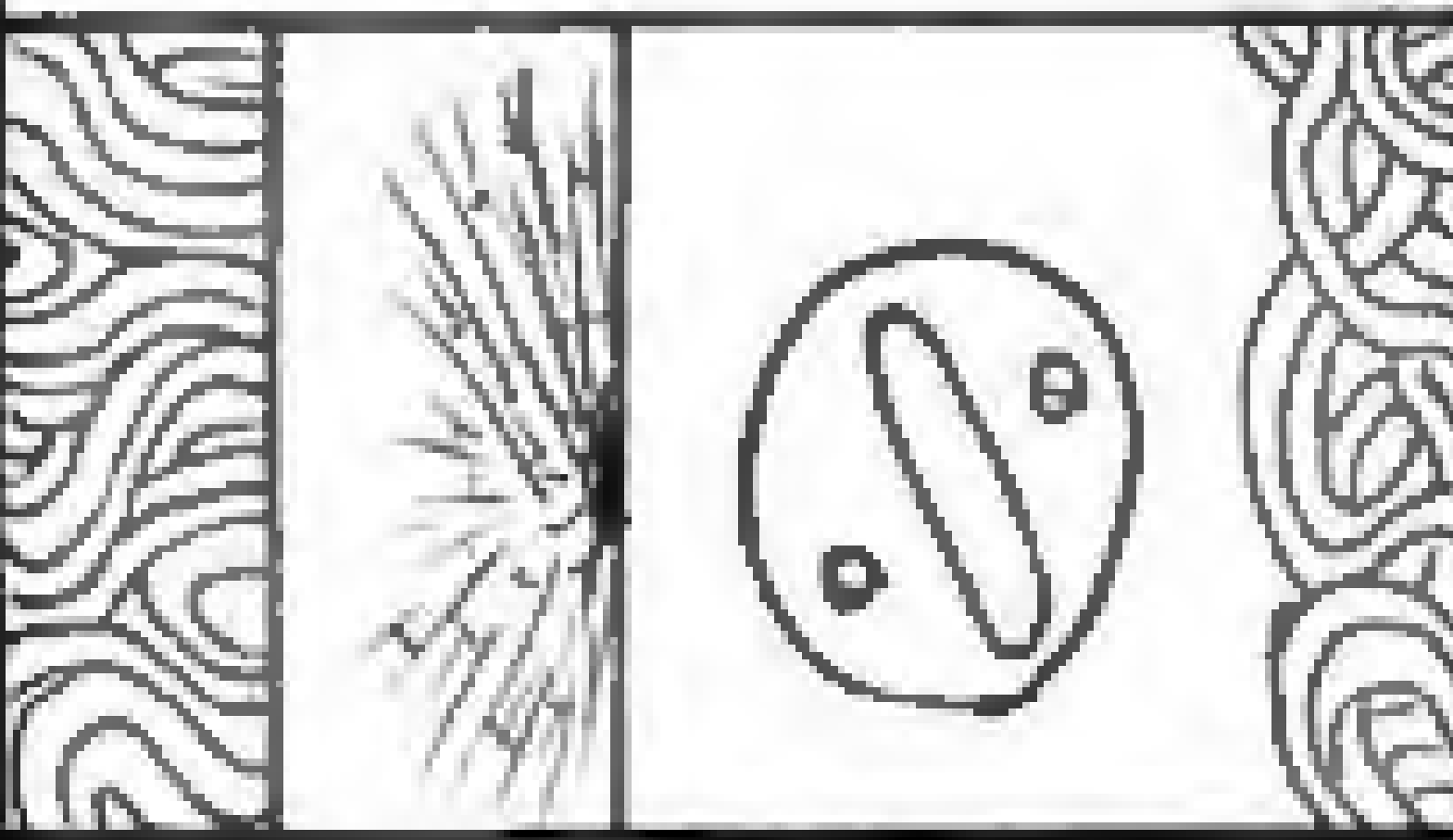
IN PAST YEAR, THERE HAS BEEN THREE MURDERS THAT FBI BELIEVE WERE COMMITTED BY SAME PERSON.



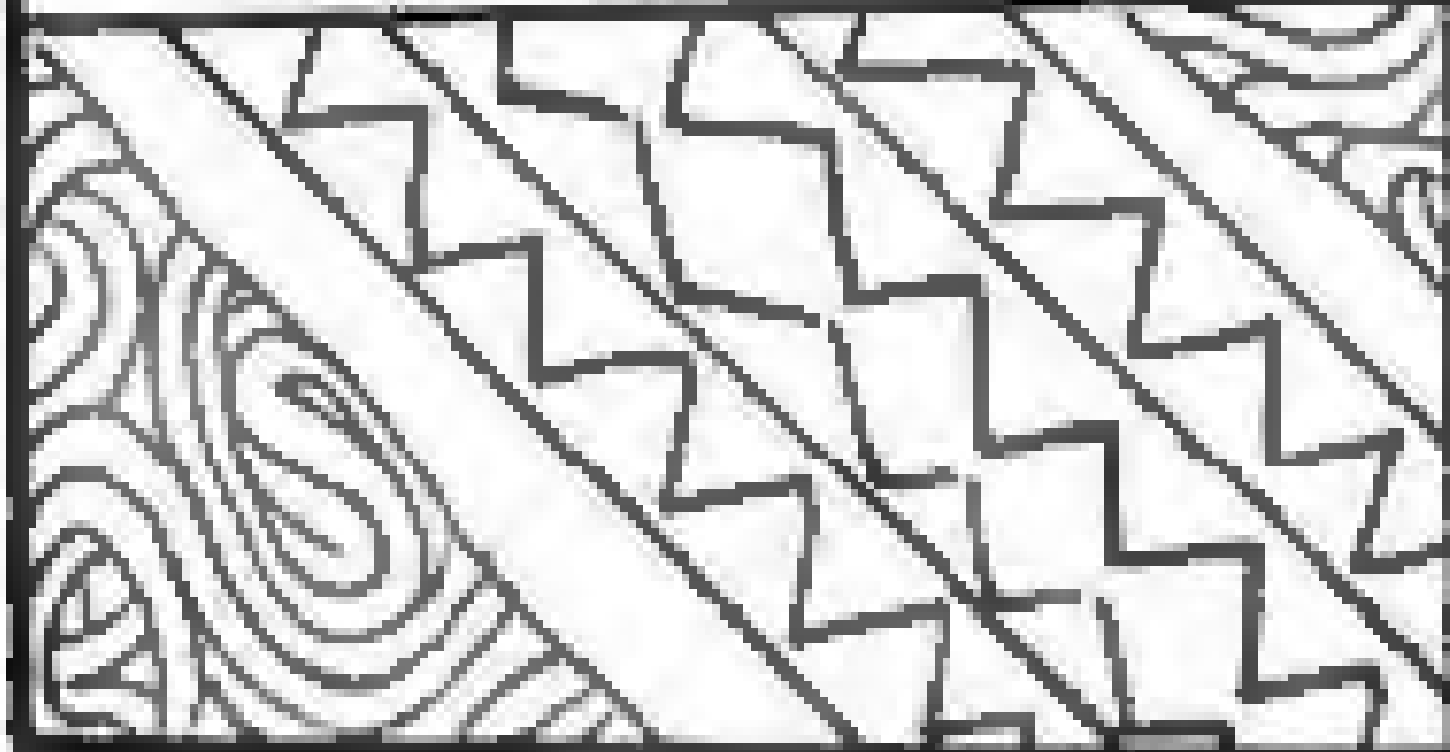
ALL THREE WERE FELINE FEMALES OVER AGE OF FORTY, ALL WERE SINGLE AND LIVING ALONE, AND ALL IN ONE HUNDRED MILES OF EACH OTHER.



VICTIMS WERE TAKEN FROM HOMES AND ALL THREE HOUSES HAD BACK DOOR FORCED OPEN IN SIMILAR FASHION.



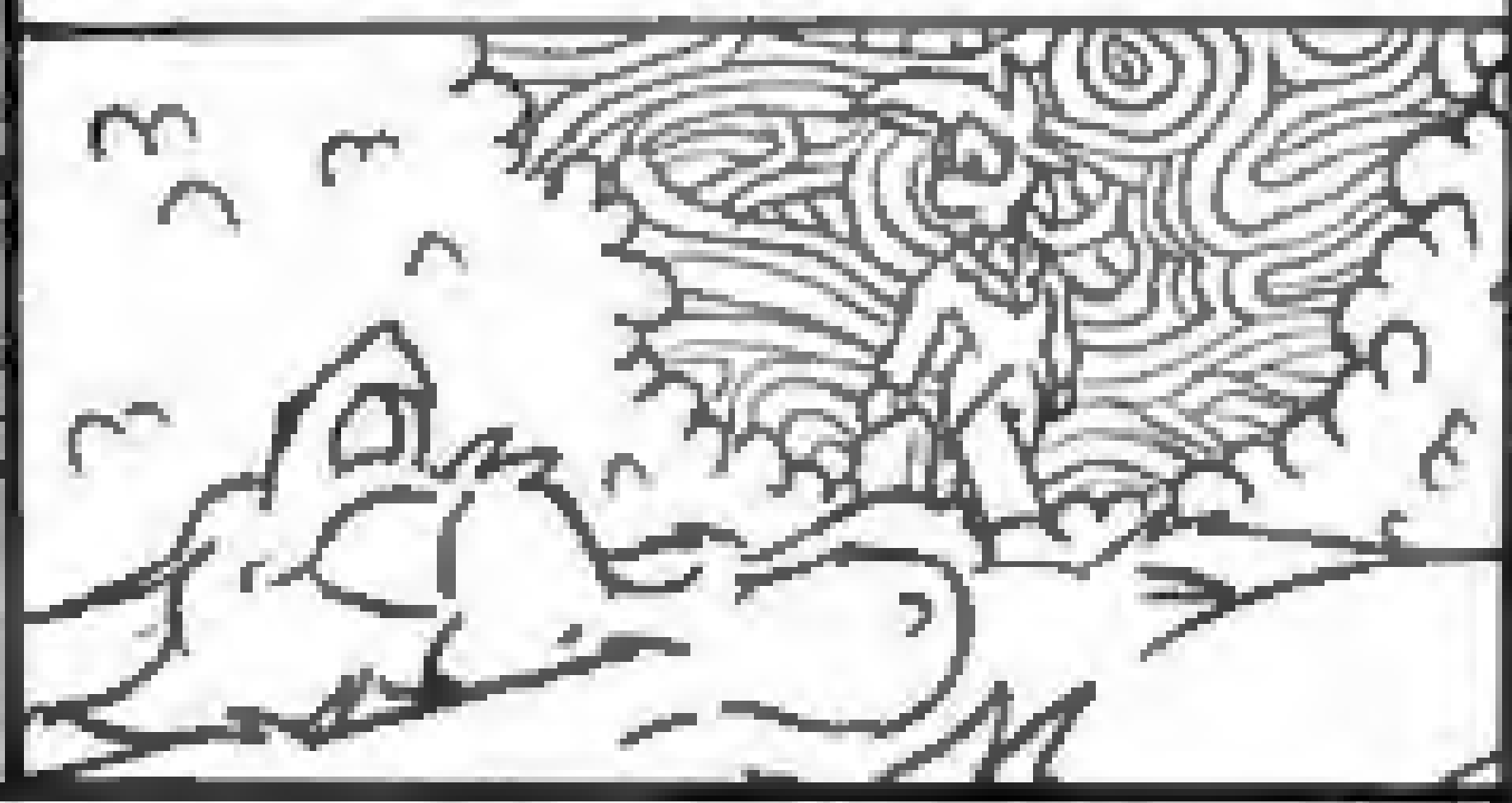
TIRE TRACKS IN MUD BEHIND VICTIM #2'S HOME DID NOT MATCH VICTIM'S CAR SUGGESTING KILLER EMPLOYED OWN VEHICLE TO TRANSPORT VICTIMS FROM HOUSES



BODIES WERE FOUND NUDE WITH NO EVIDENCE OF SEXUAL ASSAULT. ALL WERE MALNOURISHED WITH BRUISES ON WRISTS AND ANKLES SUGGESTING LONG TIME CAPTIVITY IN BONDAGE.



PLACEMENT OF BODIES IN PUBLIC PLACES SUGGEST UNSUB WANTED BODIES FOUND. LACK OF DECAY TOLD THAT WOMEN HAD DIED SHORTLY BEFORE DISCOVERY.



WHILE TWO AND THREE HAD BEEN STRANGLED, VICTIM ONE, LOTI LEYNA, HAD DIED FROM STRANGULATION.



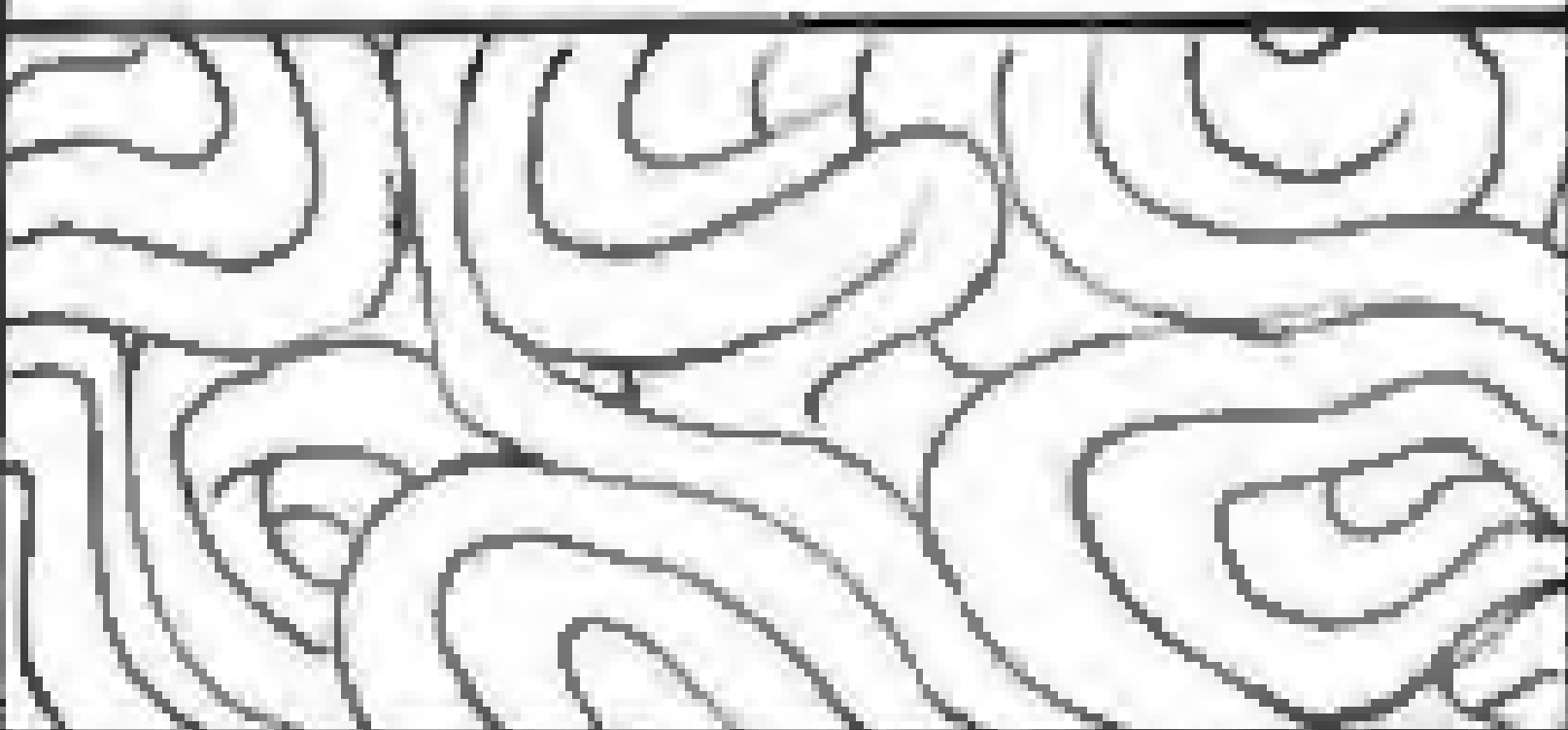
ALL THREE BODIES WERE FOUND UNMOLESTED SAVE FOR MISS LEYNA. SHE HAD SEVERE BRUISING ON FACE AND SEVERE TRAUMA IN ABDOMINAL REGION. CORONERS REPORTED MOST OF ABUSE WAS INFLICTED AFTER DEATH.



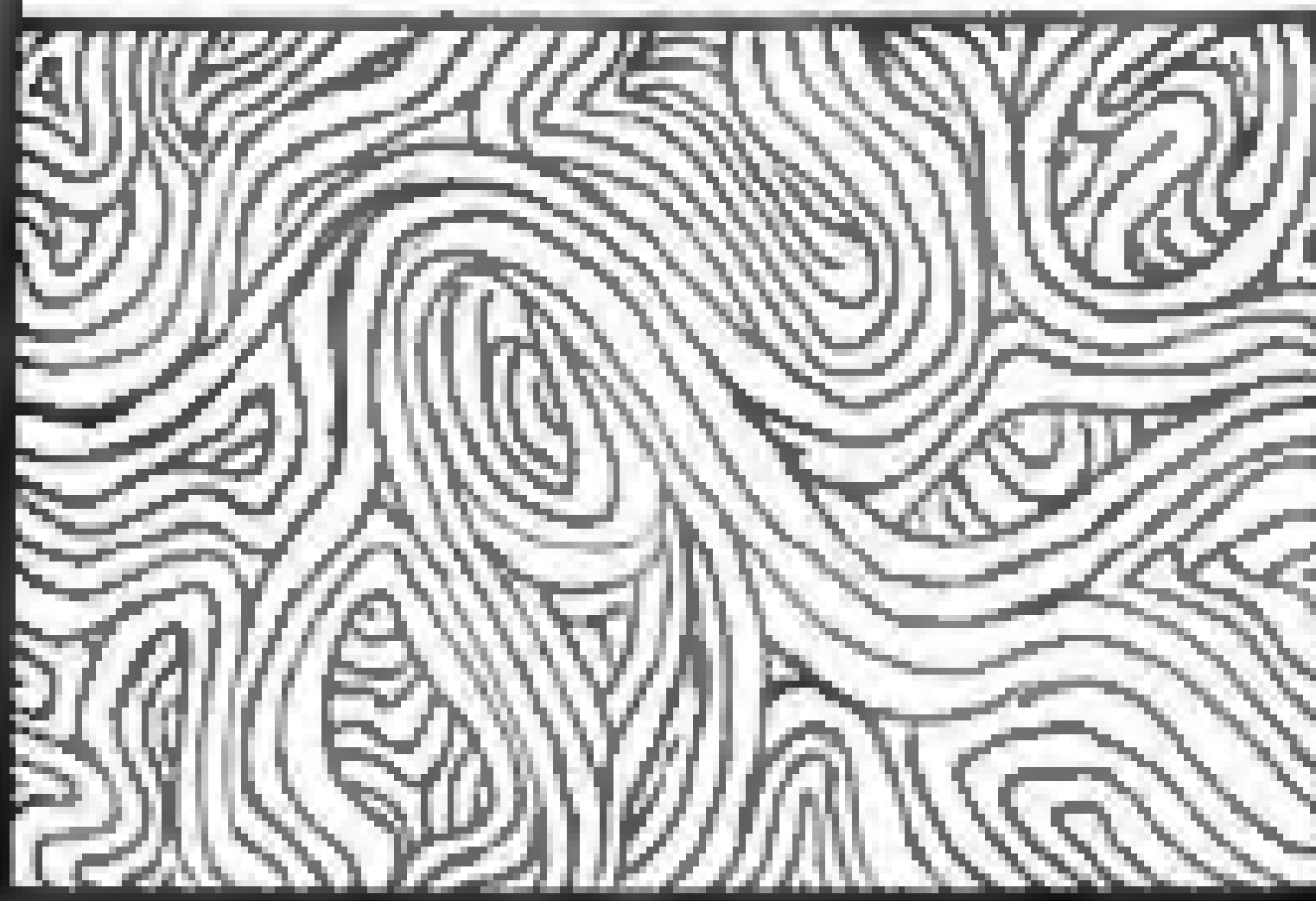
IT IS BELIEVED DAMAGE WAS DONE OUT OF PANIC, NOT MALICE AND THAT THE UNSUB DID NOT EXPECT MISS LEYNA TO DIE WHEN SHE DID.



DIFFERENCES IN REMAINS OF MISS LEYNA COMPARED TO THAT OF VICTIM THREE SHOW CLEAR SIGNS OF KILLER'S PROGRESSION IN HIS CRAFT.



IT SPEAKS TO FACT THAT KILLER IS BECOMING MORE TALENTED AND COMFORTABLE WITH MURDER.



FINALLY, WHEN PROFILE OF VICTIMS WAS GIVEN TO MISSING PERSONS, FBI FIND MATCH. MISS JENNY DIVER HAS BEEN MISSING FOR THREE WEEKS.



AFTER FACTS ARE LEARNED,
RICHEK MEETS REST OF TEAM
AS WE CONSTRUCT LIKELY PROFILE
OF MURDERER.

...KILLERS GENERALLY STAY WITHIN
THEIR OWN RACE, SO ITS LIKELY
THIS GUY IS ALSO A FELINE.

PROVIDED HE IS A
GUY...



OH ITS A GUY, ALL RIGHT.
WOMEN HURT YOU IN A VERY
DIFFERENT FASHION.



DETECTIVE MALORY HAS BEEN WITH
FBI NINE YEARS AND IS RECENTLY
DIVORCED. RICHEK GET IMPRESSION
THAT MALORY NOT TAKING IT WELL.

TOXICOLOGY REPORTS SHOWED
SEVERAL TYPES OF SEDATIVES IN
THE VICTIMS' BLOOD. SCRAWNY GUY
TOO WEAK TO HANDLE THE VICTIMS
ON HIS OWN?



BARTLEBY BEEN WITH FBI TWO YEARS
AFTER FIFTEEN IN US ARMY. RICHEK
MAYBE SWAP STORIES WITH HIM.
TELL HIM ABOUT AFGHANISTAN.

MAYBE, BUT IF THE GUY HAD
A DAY JOB, HOW BETTER TO
MAKE SURE THEY'D STILL BE
THERE WHEN HE COMES HOME
THAN TO KEEP THEM DRUGGED
UP?



BEFORE RICHEK COME, CLIFF WAS
RANK FNG. THIS ONLY CLIFF'S
SECOND CASE WITH TEAM.

THE SEDATIVES WERE PRESCRIPTION. NO
OVER-THE-COUNTER BRANDS. FROM THE
FIRST VICTIM ON, NO PUNCTURE WAS A
MISS OR RANDOM. OUR GUY HAS HAD
TRAINING WITH THIS.



AND RICHEK ALREADY KNOW HE LIKE
JUST.

THE SEDATIVES SHOULD BE
A FOCAL POINT OF THE
INVESTIGATION.



CHECK LOCAL HOSPITALS FOR
REPORTS OF STOLEN OR MISSING
SEDATIVES AND CHECK OUR
PROFILE AGAINST STAFF WITH
ACCESS TO THEM.



LATER SAME DAY, RICHEK IS DRIVEN BY CLIFF TO VICTIM'S HOMES.

YOU THINK WE MAY HAVE ALREADY SEEN THE KILLER?



CORRECT. RICHEK BELIEVES KILLER DID NOT HATE THE WOMEN HE MURDERED. AS ODD AS SUCH THINGS SOUND, IS GOOD CHANCE KILLER IS INVOLVED IN SMALL PART WITH INVESTIGATION.



PERHAPS AS CURIOUS ONLOOKER AT CRIME SCENE, BUT RICHEK WOULD DEFINITELY LOOK CLOSELY AT PEOPLE WHO DISCOVERED VICTIMS' BODIES.



AT VICTIM THREE'S HOUSE, WE DO NOT FIND EXACTLY WHAT WE EXPECT TO NOT FIND.

SAME AS VICTIM TWO'S HOME. NO ATTEMPTED POINTS OF ENTRY LIKE AT NUMBER ONE'S HOUSE.



HELLO, YOU TWO ARE POLICE OFFICERS, RIGHT?



YES MA'AM. DID YOU KNOW WOMAN WHO LIVED HERE?



I UNDERSTAND. I JUST DON'T KNOW WHO COULD HAVE DONE THIS TO HER SO SOON AFTER THE ACCIDENT.



HER HUSBAND WAS KILLED IN A BUS ACCIDENT. SHE WAS SO DEVASTATED, SHE STOPPED GOING OUT. THEN TO HAVE THIS HAPPEN...



BACK AT RECORDS, RICHEK FIND EXACTLY WHAT RICHEK EXPECTS TO FIND...



HAVING A LITTLE TROUBLE,
EH, ROOSKIE?



YES, DETECTIVE. RICHEK BELIEVES HE'S FOUND
IMPORTANT PIECE OF INFORMATION. ONLY NOT SURE
HOW FITS IN.



BAH.



RICHEK WISHES FRIEND
HARVEY WAS HERE TO
HELP THIS CASE. IS
ALWAYS HELPFUL, HARVEY.



WELL, IF YOU ASK ME,
THOSE GIRLS ARE LUCKY
TO BE DEAD.



NOBODY WILL EVER LIE TO THEM ABOUT
LOVING THEM EVER AGAIN.



HEY RICHEK. ...Y'KNOW, HE
WORRIES ME SOMETIMES.

IS EASY FOR A
WOUNDED MAN TO ENVY
THE DEAD.



YES, BUT IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S
GETTING WORSE. I KEEP
WORRYING I'LL OPEN THE PAPER
ONE MORNING AND FIND HIS
OBITUARY.



WAIT
MOMENT...

GET OTHERS. OFFICER JUST!
HAS FIGURED THIS OUT.

HMM?



AMONG OTHER SIMILARITIES
ALL FOUR VICTIMS - LOTI
LEYNA THROUGH JENNY DIVER,
WERE RECENTLY WIDOWED
BEFORE THEY WENT MISSING.

RICHEK BELIEVES THIS IS KEY TO
SOLVING CASE.



ASIDE FROM AN INTERESTING
PIECE OF VICTIMOLOGY, I
DON'T GET THE IMPORTANCE YOU
PLACE ON THIS.



IT MAKES SENSE. AFTER BEING
COMFORTED BY FAMILY AND
FRIENDS, ITS NATURAL A NEW WIDOW
WOULD WANT TIME TO HERSELF FOR
AN EXTENDED PERIOD.



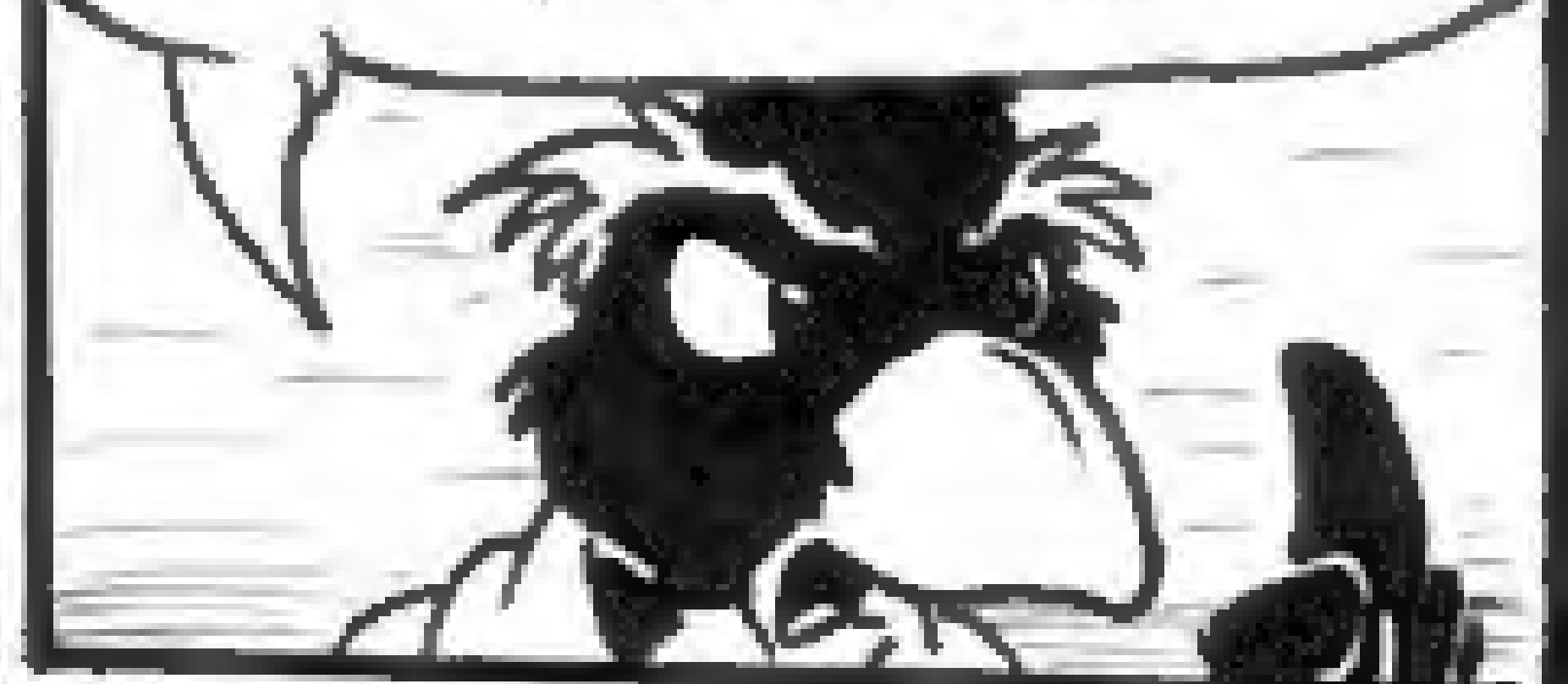
IT STILL DOESN'T EXPLAIN
HOW THE KILLER FINDS
THESE WOMEN UNLESS HE'S
A MORTICIAN.



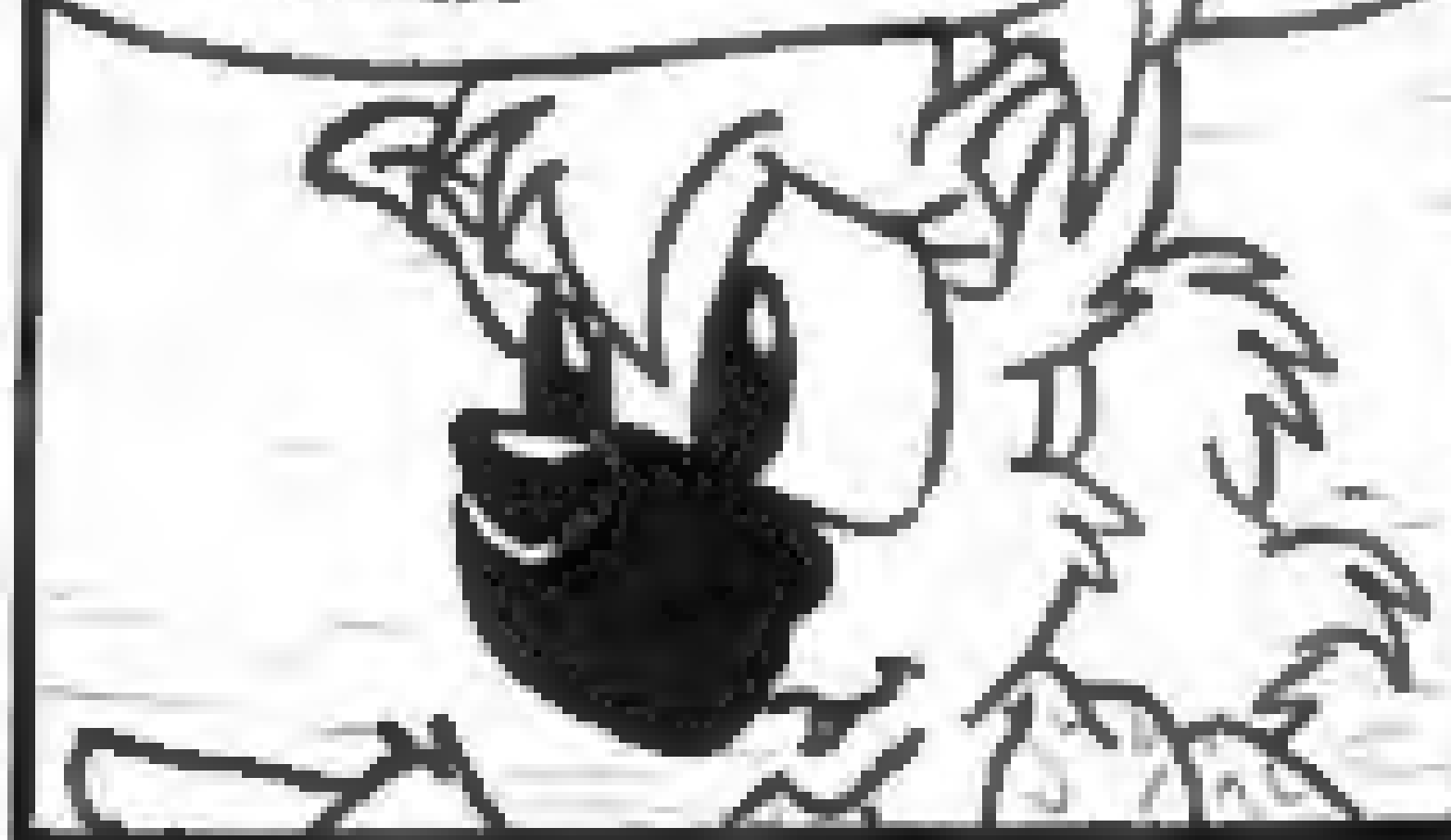
NOT LIKELY. THE DISTANCE BETWEEN
WHERE THE VICTIMS LIVED WOULD
MEAN THEIR SPOUSES WOULD END UP
AT DIFFERENT MORGUES.



JUST SO! RICHEK INSTEAD BELIEVES
KILLER IS FAN OF NEWSPAPERS.
PARTICULARLY, THE OBITUARIES.



OF COURSE! THE PAPER WOULD
LIST SURVIVING RELATIVES,
ESPECIALLY IF THE DECEASED WAS
MARRIED.



AND SINCE PEOPLE GENERALLY MARRY
WITHIN THEIR OWN RACE AND
AGE GROUPS, OUR MAN WOULD
BE LOOKING FOR DECEASED MALE
FELINES IN THEIR FORTIES.



FROM THERE, IS JUST QUICK
CHECK OF PHONE BOOK TO COLLECT
NEEDED ADDRESS.



STUDY OF LOCAL PAPERS FROM PAST TWO MONTHS SHOWED FIVE POSSIBLE MATCHES TO VICTIM PROFILE.



FIRST MATCH SOLD HOME AFTER HUSBAND'S DEATH AND MOVED OUT OF STATE.



NEIGHBORS TELL US THAT AFTER HUSBAND'S DEATH, MATCH NUMBER TWO BECAME VERY ILL AND DIED SOON AFTER.



BUT WHEN RICKEK AND JUSTI KNOCK ON DOOR NUMBER THREE.

MRS. BROWN?

Y-YES? CAN I HELP YOU?



NAME IS DETECTIVE RICKEK AND THIS IS OFFICER JUSTI. WE UNDERSTAND IS HARD TIME FOR YOU, BUT WE MUST ASK YOU FEW QUESTIONS.



IS- IS THIS ABOUT JAMES?

PROMISE, IS NOT ABOUT YOUR LATE HUSBAND



OKAY. COME IN, THEN.



THIS IS DEBORAH. SHE'S BEEN HELPING ME SINCE JAMES DIED.

HELLO. JAMES' SUDDEN PASSING'S BEEN HARD ON ALL OF US.

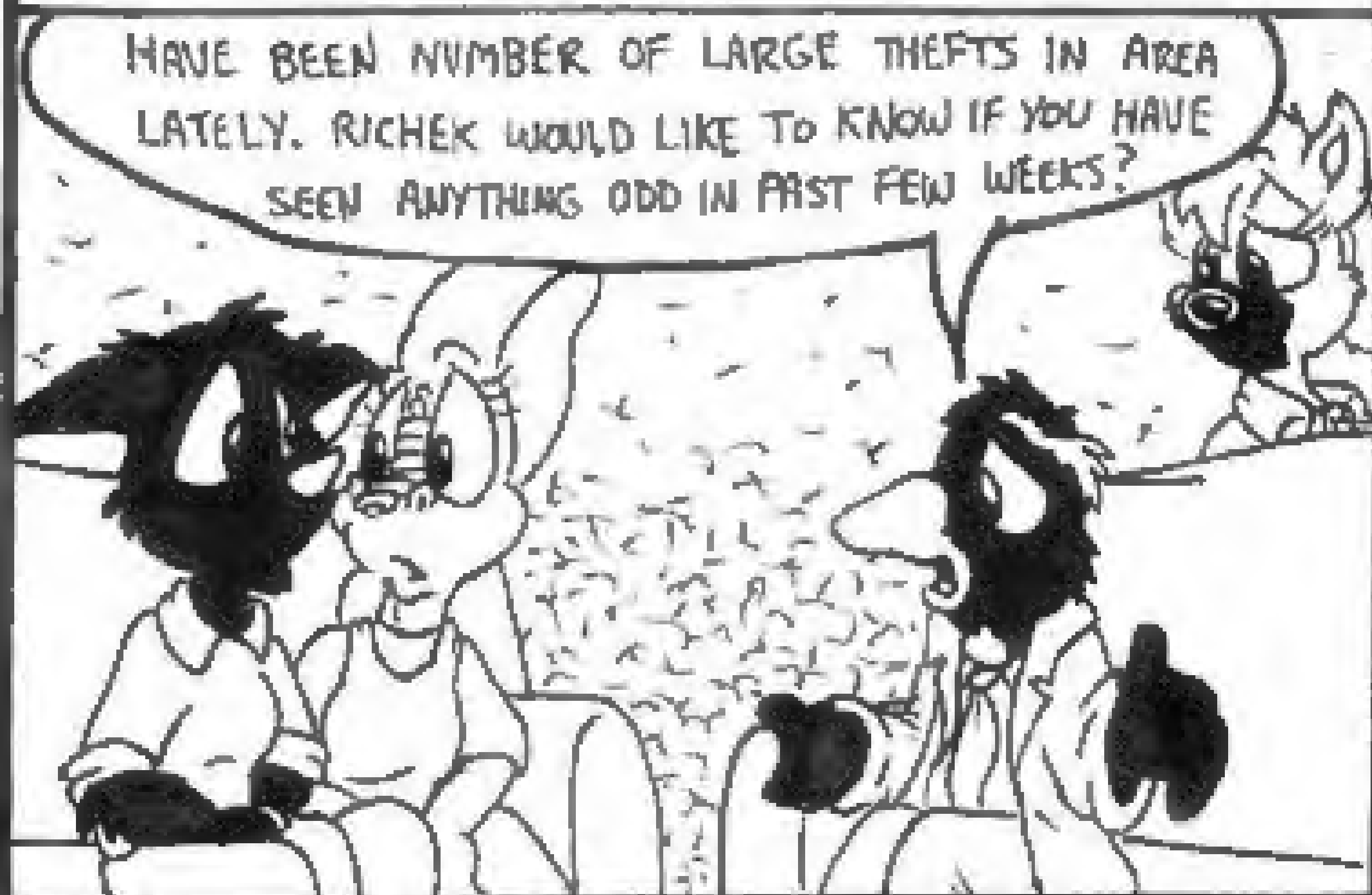
UNDERSTOOD. GOOD TO MEET YOU.



AFTER LEARNING DETAILS OF BROTHER OF MRS. BROWN'S HUSBAND HARASSING WOMAN OVER CERTAIN LEGALITY ISSUES INVOLVING FAMILY BUSINESS...



RICHEK DECIDED WOULD BE BEST TO CHANGE SOME DETAILS ABOUT INVESTIGATION. MRS. BROWN AND FRIEND CLEARLY HAD ENOUGH TROUBLES.



I TOLD YOU THERE WAS SOMETHING OFF WITH THAT GUY.



WHAT GUY IS THAT?



A FEW DAYS AGO, WE SAW THIS GUY WATCHING THE HOUSE FROM HIS CAR. HE SPED OFF WHEN DEB WENT OUT TO TALK TO HIM.



WHAT DID THIS MAN LOOK LIKE?



FELINE, LIGHT BROWN FUR, MAYBE MID-FORTIES.

I WROTE DOWN THE GUY'S PLATE NUMBER WHEN HE STAYED OUT THERE MORE THAN AN HOUR. YOU WANT IT?



DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES TELL US
PLATE NUMBER GIVEN BY MRS. BROWN'S
FRIEND BELONG TO MAN NAMED ROBERT
DARREN.



QUICK RECORDS INVESTIGATION
ON MR. DARREN REVEAL HIM
TO BE FORTY TWO YEAR OLD
FELINE WITH LIGHT BROWN
FUR.



DARREN WORKS AS RN
FOR HOSPITAL THAT REPORTED
EARLIER IN INVESTIGATION
THAT MANY CALMING DRUGS
AND SUPPRESSANTS HAVE
BEEN TURNING UP MISSING.



AFTER SEEING PICTURE IN HOSPITAL
STAFF RECORDS, OFFICER CLIFF
RECOGNIZED MR. DARREN AS MAN
WHO FOUND VICTIM ONE, MS. LOTILEYNA'S
BODY, THOUGH AT TIME HAD GIVEN
NAME AS LOUIE MILLER.



WHILE CLIFF AND SGT. MAJOR CONTINUE SECURING
HOSPITAL ARCHIVES RICKEK AND JUSTI GO TO MEET
MALORY AND BARTELBY AT MR. DARREN'S HOME TO DETERMINE
WHETHER OR NOT TO IMMEDIATELY MAKE ARREST

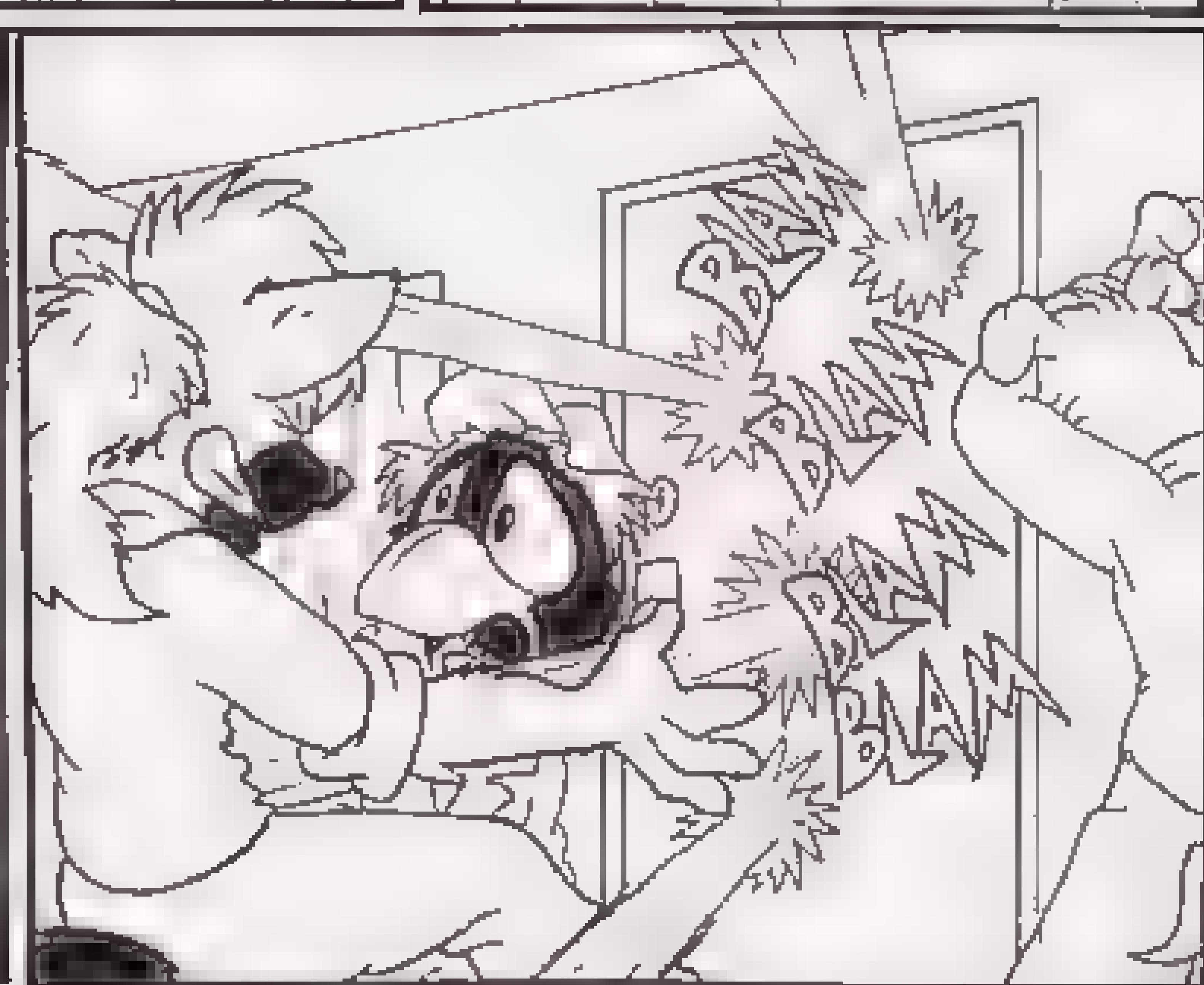
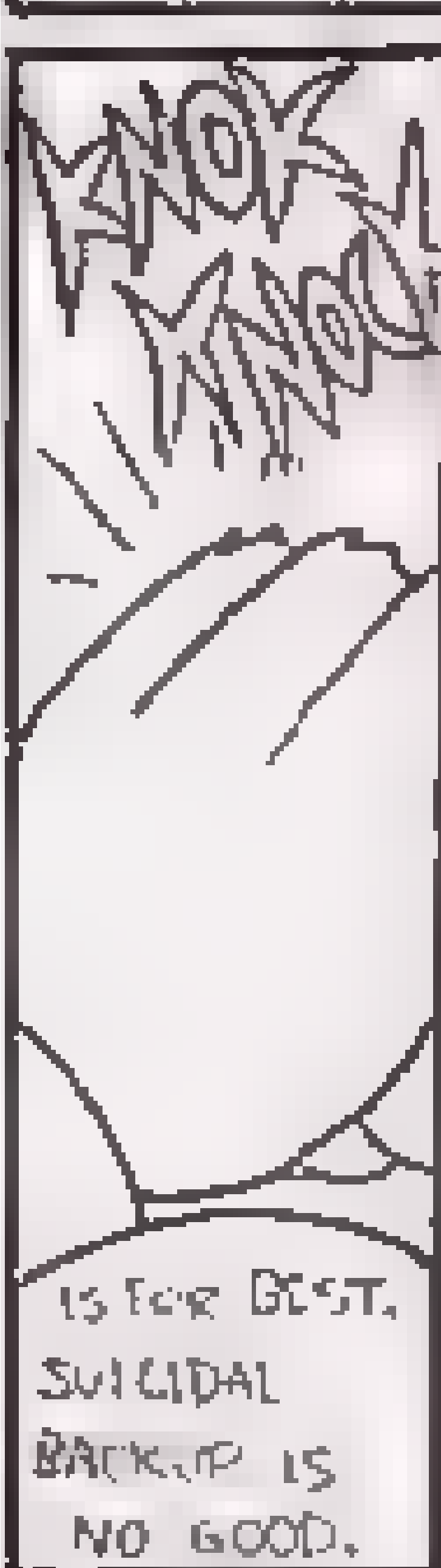
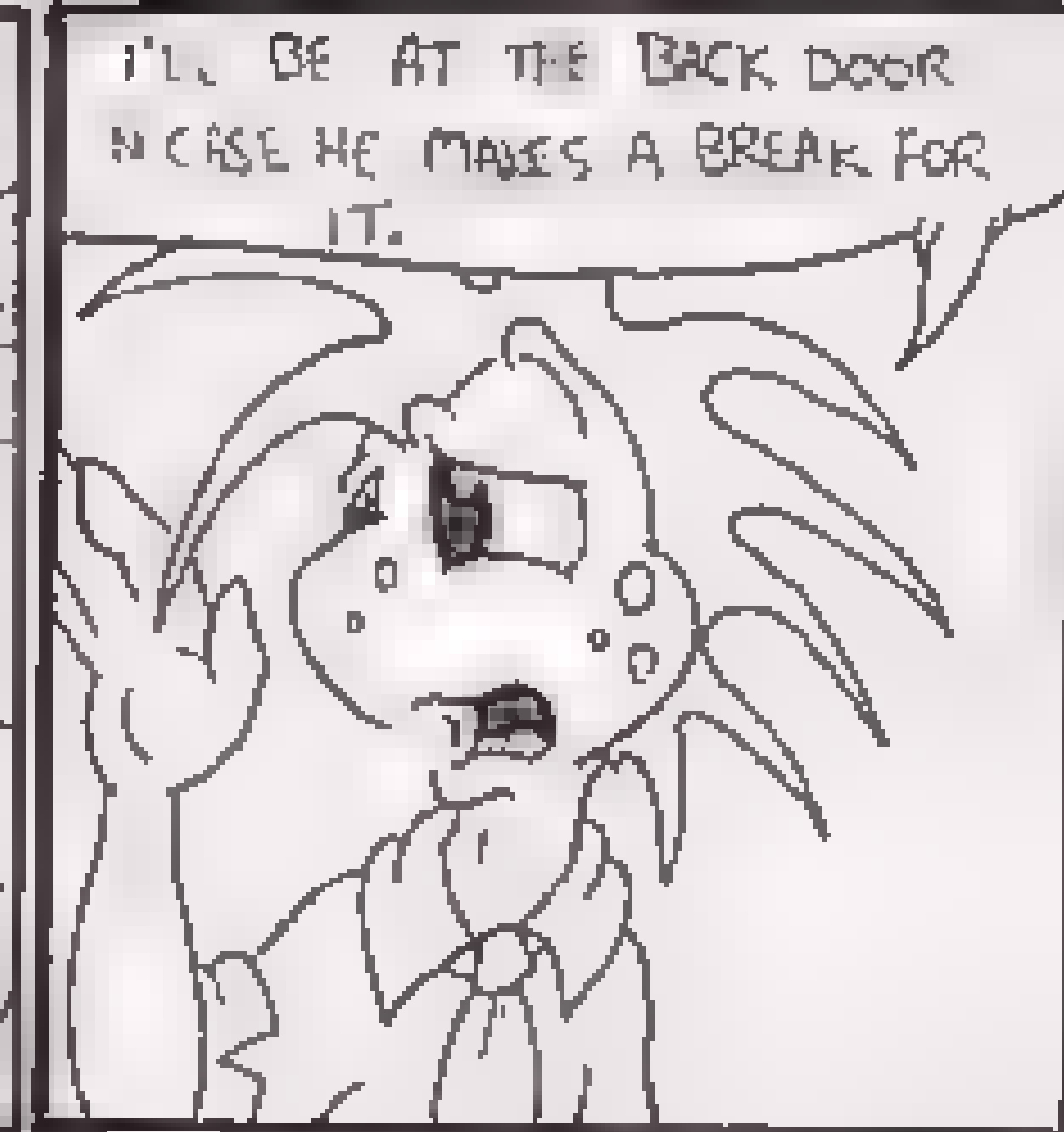


THEN PERHAPS HAS
BETTER THINGS TO DO THAN
TAKE CARE OF KIDNAPPED
WOMAN AND IS
PROBABLY NOT OUR MAN.
THERE'S MALORY AND BA--



COULD RICKEK MAYBE
ASK JUSTI FOR
FAVOR?





JUST!



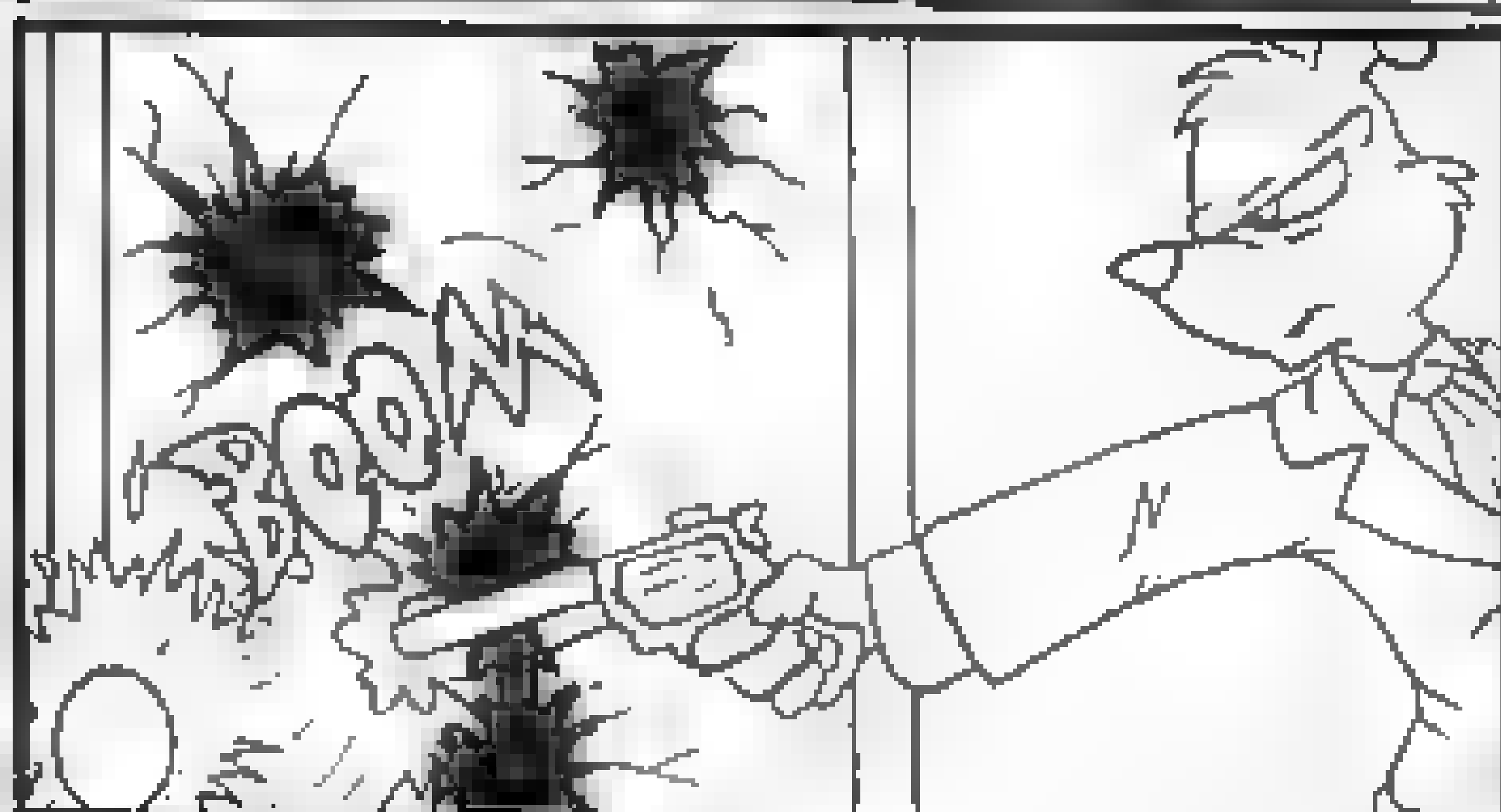
RICHER, STAY WITH HER.

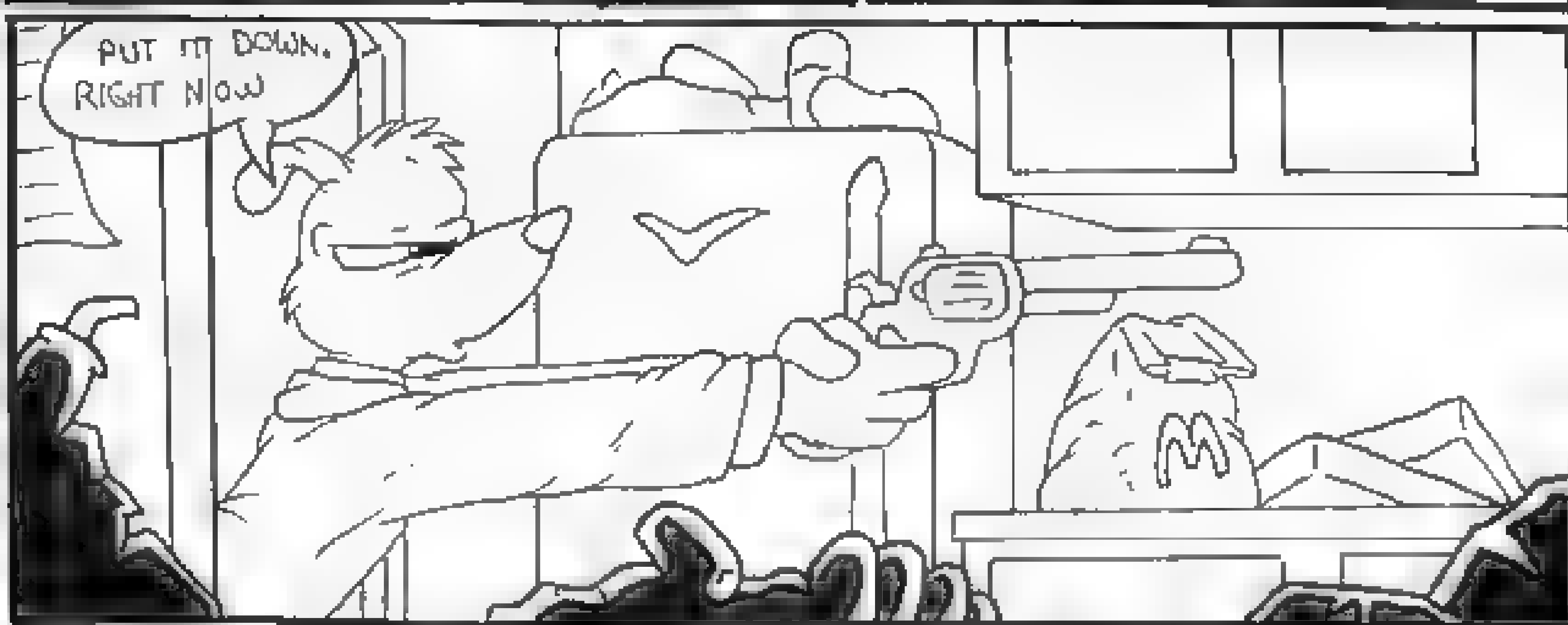


MALORY! WE'RE GOING IN!



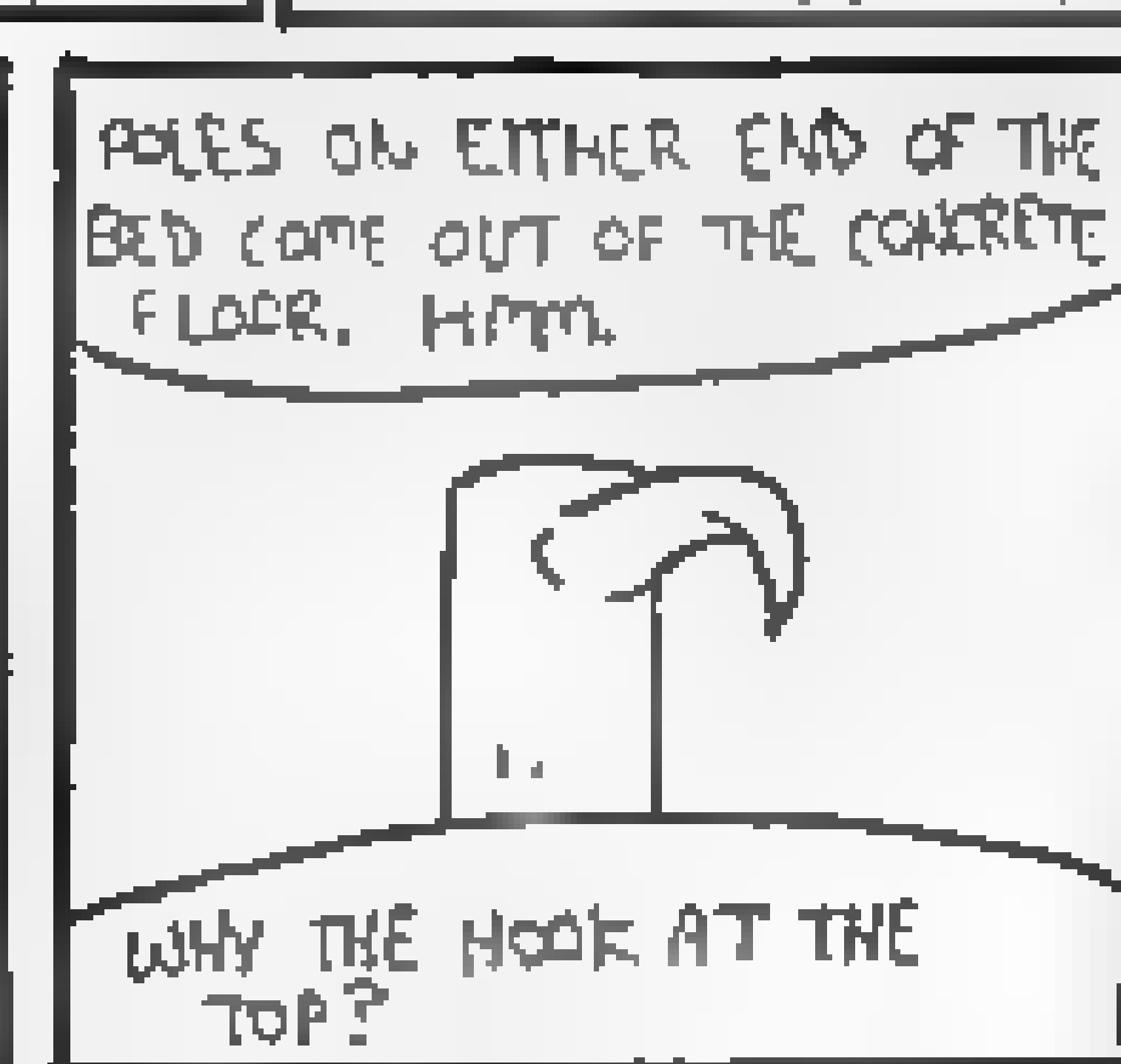
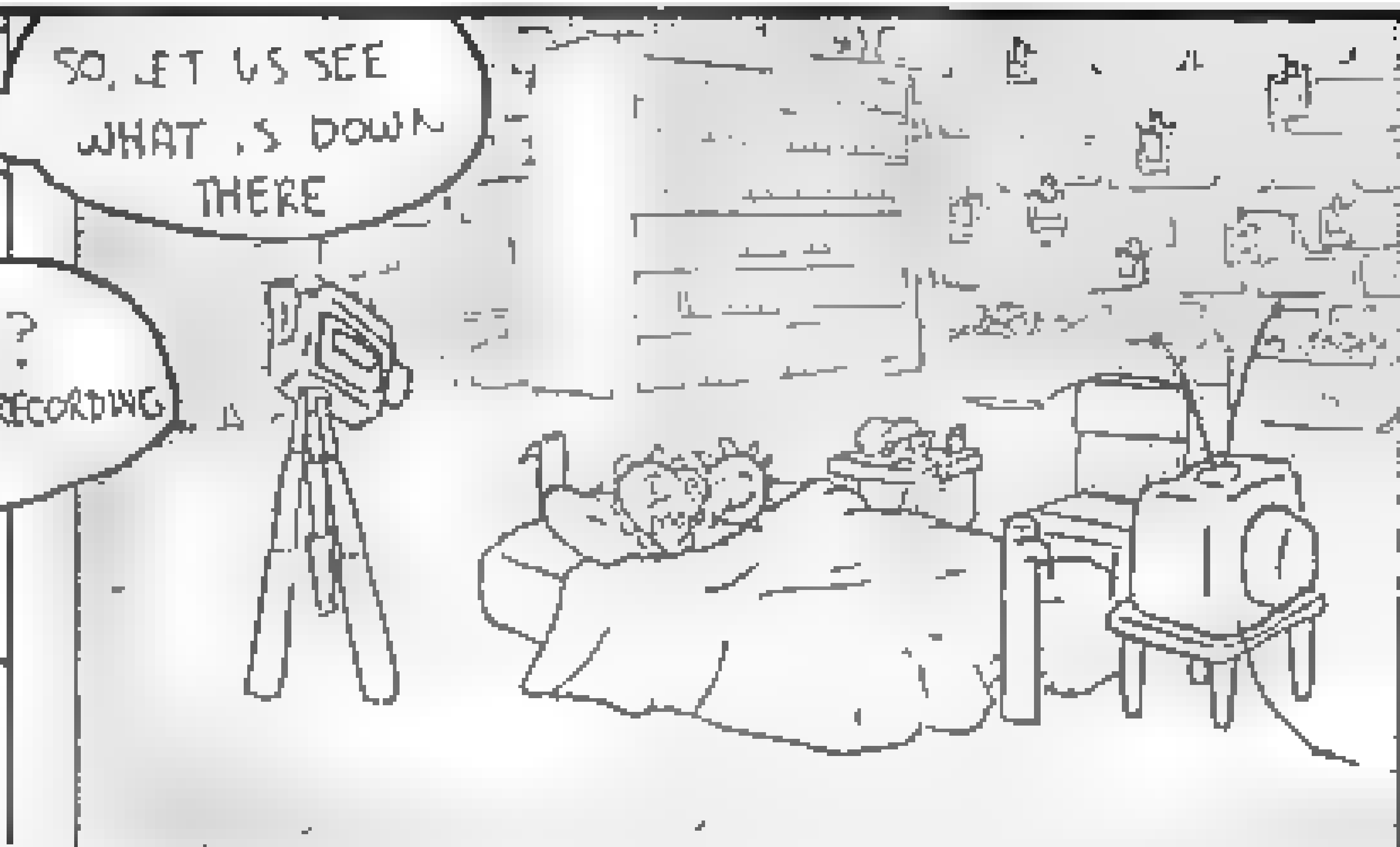
THE JEST HELD IT.
HELP BARTLEBY...!











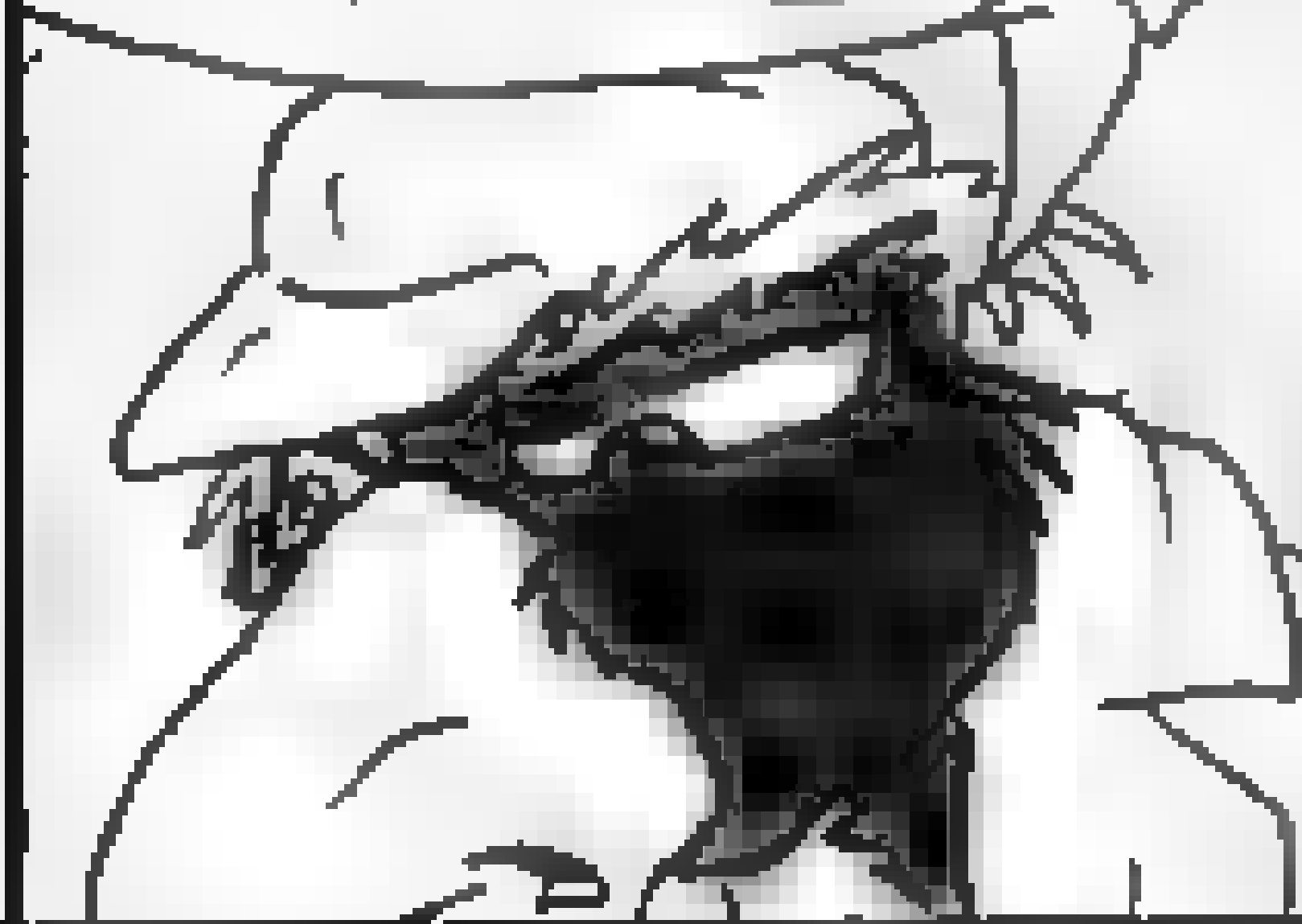
EUGH, HORRIBLE STENCH UNDERNEATH THE BLANKET. MATTRESS IS SOILED. KILLER DIDNT LET THE VICTIMS UP TO RELIEVE THEMSELVES.



OH, JESUS, BOSS! THE BODIES FOUND WERE CLEAN THOUGH. HE, AT LEAST, WOULD LET THEM BATHE.



MALNOURISHMENT IN BODIES ALREADY SHOWED LACK OF CONCERN WITH VICTIMS' HEALTH. KILLER LIKELY ONLY CLEANED WHEN SMELL WAS TOO BAD FOR HIM.



WHAT DO YOU HAVE JUST?



BOTTLES, TUBING, COTTON BALLS, SYRINGES. THIS IS WHERE THE SEDATIVES WERE GIVEN.

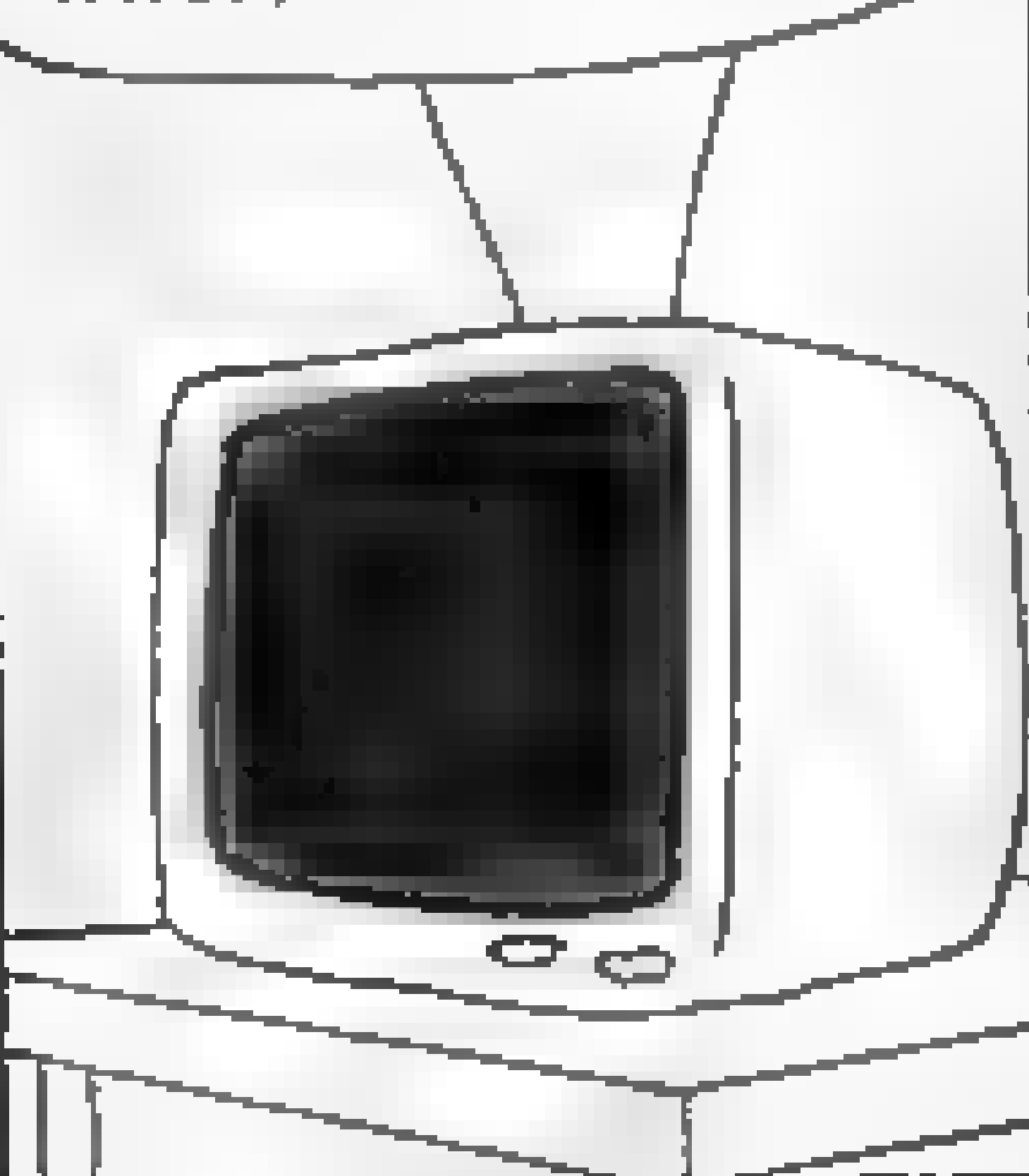


HAVE YOU LET A MEDIC LOOK AT YOU YET, BY THE WAY



NO. BUT I WILL BEFORE I GO HOME

TV AT THE FOOT OF THE BED. OLD RABBIT EAR VARIETY



SET TO CHANNEL FOUR, LOCAL STATION. NOTE TO RETRIEVE PROGRAM LISTINGS.



CAMCORDER POINTED AT BED



MALORY?

YOU GUESSED IT, VIDEO TAPES WITH VICTIMS NAMES AND VARIOUS DATES WRITTEN ON THEM. WE'RE GONNA HAVE TO WATCH AND CATALOG THESE AREN'T WE?



YOU GUESSED IT.

SON OF A BITCH.

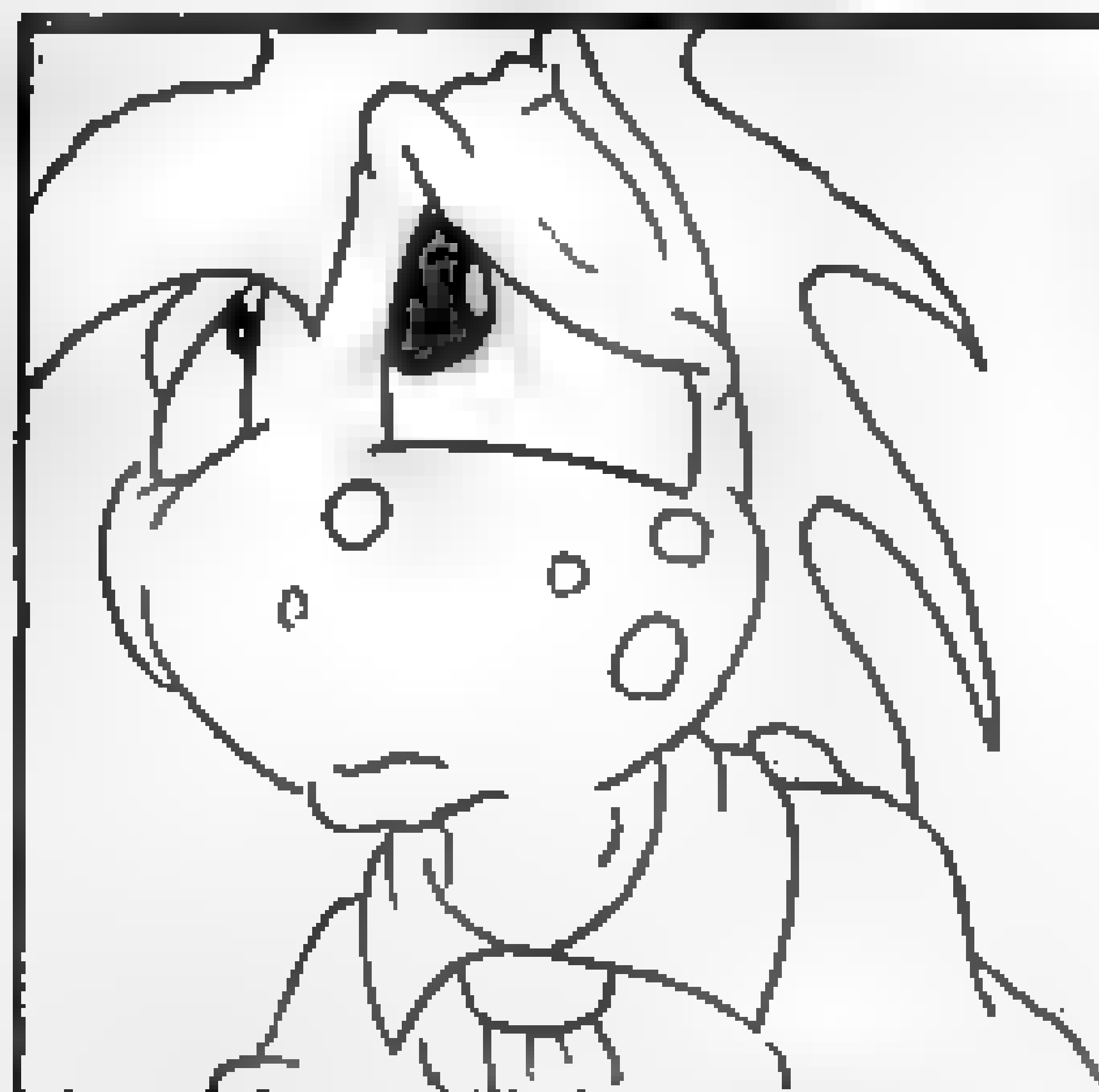


THOSE TAPES DONT LEAVE THIS HOUSE. WE MAKE COPIES OF WHAT WILL BE NEEDED IF THERE'S A TRIAL. THEN DESTROY THEM

BOSS SOMETHING ABOUT ALL THIS IS MAKING ME SICK YA MIND IF I JUST COME IN EARLY TOMORROW?



YEAH. SEE YOU TOMORROW MALORY



WHAT ABOUT MISS DIVER?

IF SHE'S DEAD HOPEFULLY THE KILLER DROPPED OFF THE BODY IN PUBLIC LIKE HE DID BEFORE.



A DAY PASSES AND STILL IS NO SIGN OF JENNY DIVER.



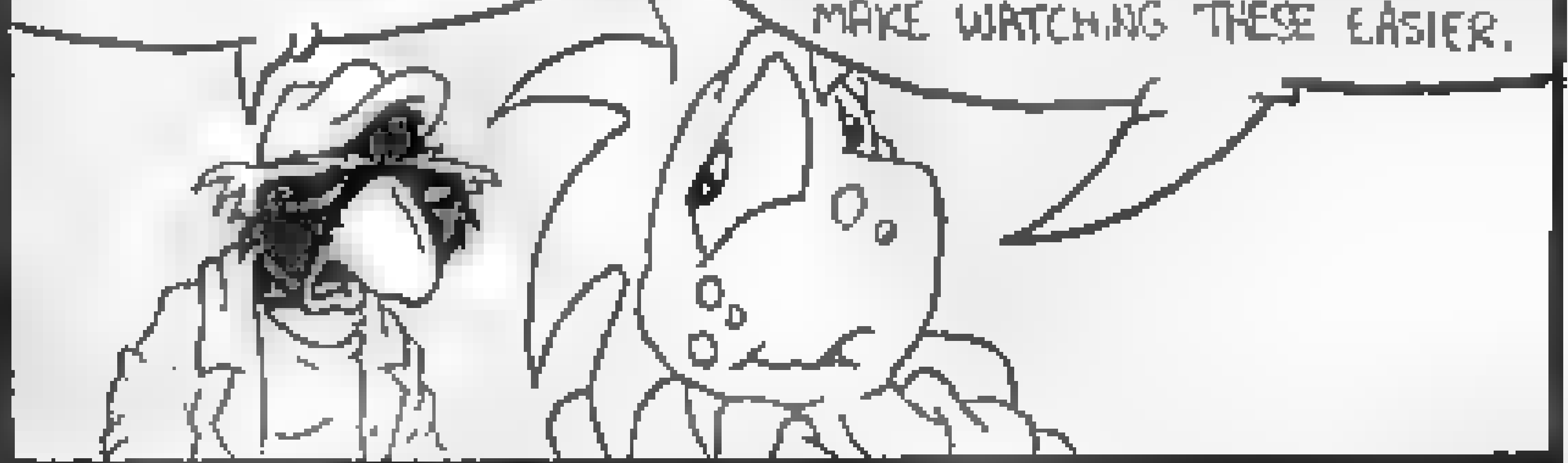
WE HAVE WATCHED ALL TAPES LABELLED 'JENNY' WHICH OFFER NO CLUE AS TO HER LOCATION.



TAPE FOUND IN CAMCORDER CLEARLY SHOWED KILLER STRANGLING MS. DIVER TO DEATH. WE WERE TOO LATE FOR HER

AM NOT LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS MYSELF

WELL, THE RABBIT EAR TV WORKS EVEN OLD 'PRICE IS RIGHT' RERUNS MAKE WATCHING THESE EASIER.



IS ALREADY LONG DAY, WAS WITH SGT. NAILOR WHEN TOLD MR AND MRS DIVER THEIR DAUGHTER WAS DEAD..



WANTED TO KNOW HOW COULD TELL WHEN THERE IS NO BODY... RICHER MAKE FOOLISH MISTAKE. RICHER TELL THEM ABOUT VIDEO..



AND NOW THEY WANT TO SEE IT... TO BE SURE IS THEIR DAUGHTER.

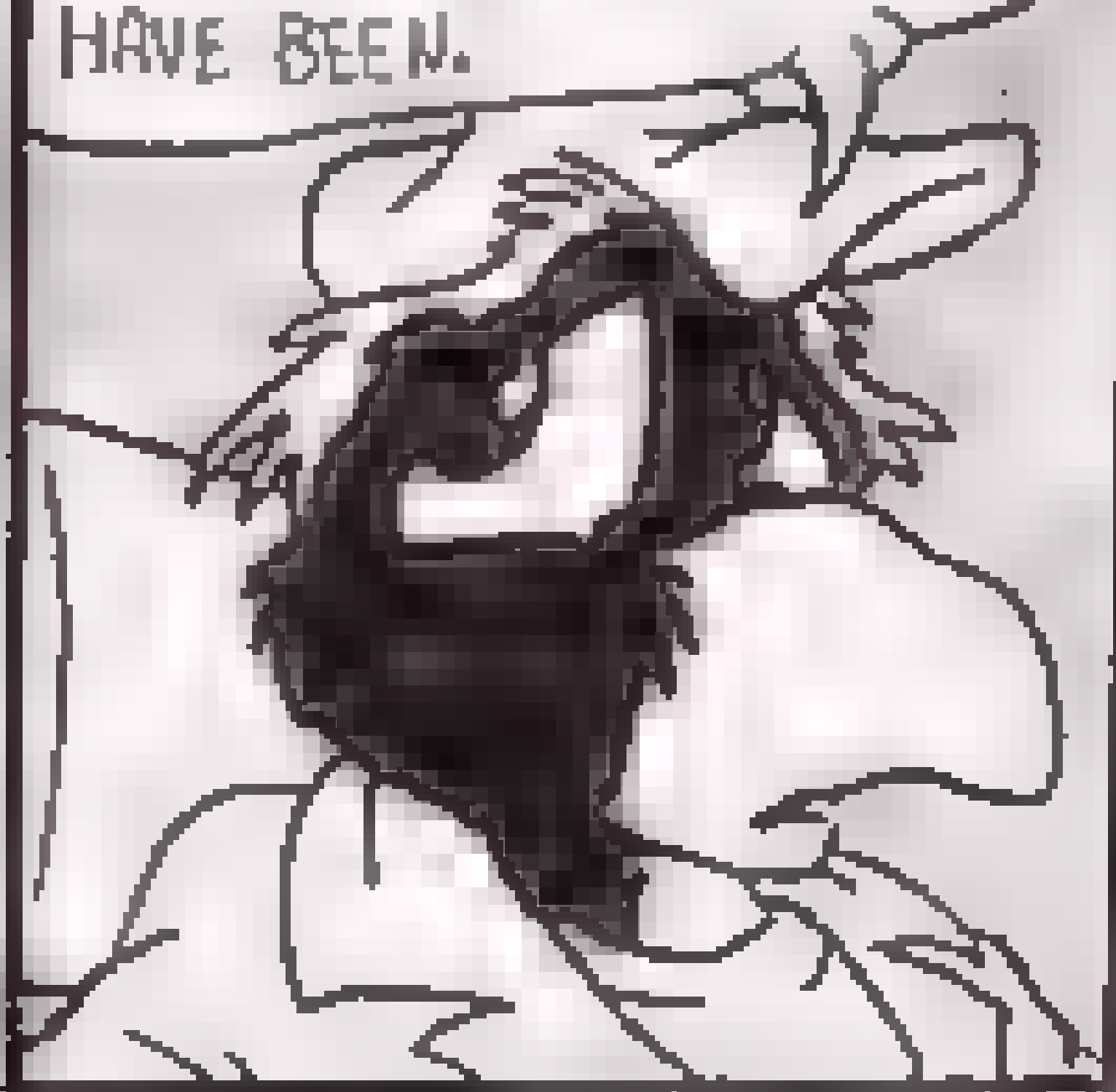


SO.. WHAT DO WE KNOW
ABOUT MR. DARRIN?



WELL, THE WOMEN SEEMED TO
FILL A MISSING "MOMMY" ROLE.
HE WOULD LEAVE THEM ON THE
BED ALL DAY, DRUGGED UP,
WATCHING SOAP OPERAS WHICH
HE'D QUIZ THEM ABOUT LATER.
HE WOULD SLEEP IN THE BED WITH
THEM, BUT THE CLOSEST THING HE
CAME TO SEX WAS HE WOULD
CURL UP TO THEM TO SUCK ON
THEIR BREASTS.

YOU SOUND BETTER THAN
HAVE BEEN.



YEAH? THANKS WE STARTED
THIS CASE ABOUT THE SAME
TIME SUKE LEFT ME

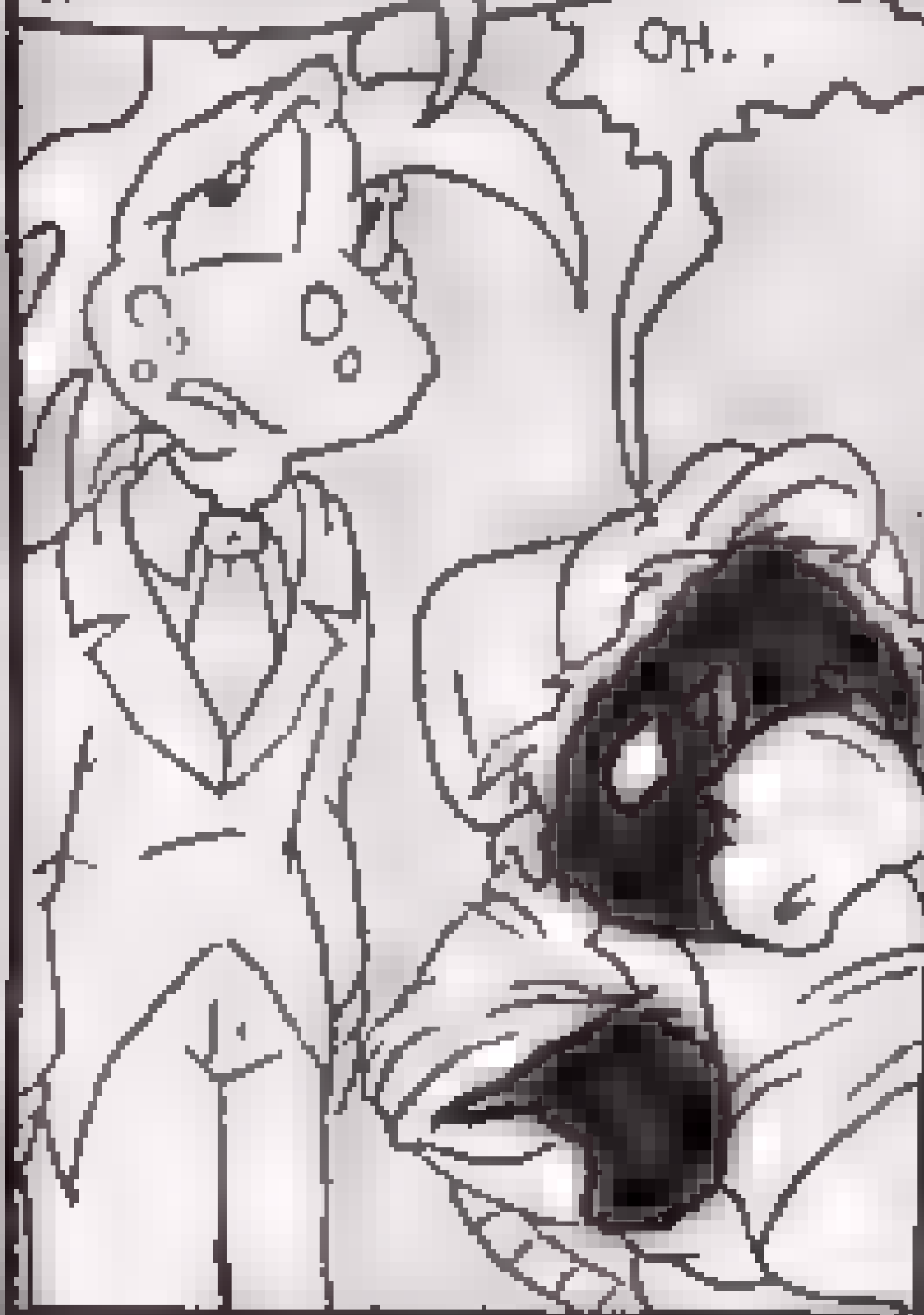


I THINK CLOSURE ON THE ONE
HAS HELPED ME DEAL WITH THE
OTHER.



IS GOOD TO HEAR. WHERE ARE WE
ON TAPES?

EH, ITS THE LAST OF THE
LOTTI LEYNA TAPES AND SHE
HASNT BREATHED IN OVER AN HOUR



OH..

THE TAPE IS NEARLY DONE..
WANT ME TO STAY FOR THE
REST OF IT?



NO. RICHER MAYBE

PLAY.



JASON GUMBERT,
COME ON
DOWN—



MOTHER, I'M HOME. YOU HERE?



JUST PUTTING THE GROLERES
AWAY, BE RIGHT DOWN



DID YOU HAVE A GOOD
DAY?



HOW WERE YOUR STORIES
TODAY? DID MARK FINALLY
DIVORCE LILLIAN?

CLIP CLIP CLIP



WHAT'S THE MATTER, MOM?

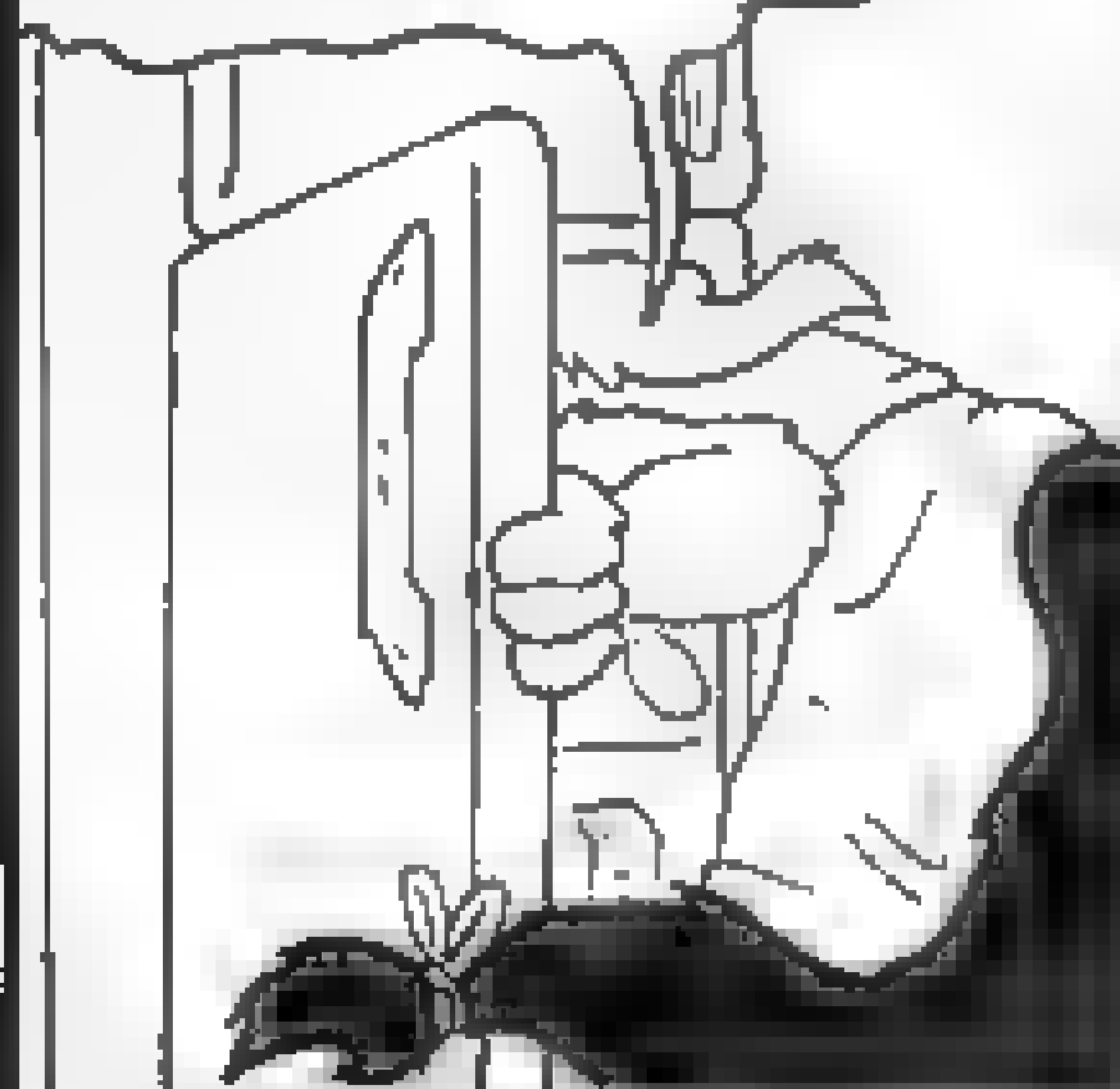


MOTHER?





HEY! I'VE GOT SOME
VODKA IN HERE..



DESPITE AMERICAN STEREOPE,
NOT ALL RUSSIAN MEN
DRINK VODKA. ONLY
MOST.



WELL...
THERE GOES THAT PLAN.

GOES WHAT PLAN?



WAS GONNA GET
YOU DRUNK.



RICHEK ASSURE JUST!
ANYTHING DRUNK
RICHEK CAN DO SOBER
RICHEK CAN DO BETTER.



GET YOU DRUNK AND THEN
ASK YOU HOW YOU KNEW
TO TELL ME TO PUT ON MY
VEST.



..... OH.

THIS WENT QUITE
QUICKLY FROM VERY
GOOD TO VERY BAD.



IN THAT CASE, HAND
OVER BOTTLE



WE'D BETTER BOTH GET
DRUNK.

THE DOCTOR SAID THAT THE SHOT PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE
KILLED ME, BUT THAT IF IT DIDN'T, I WOULDN'T BE WAKING..



MNH... WAS NOT TIME BUT RICHEK DID NOT KNOW AND GOT SCARED

AND SO WE DRINK

PFFFT!
YOU WANNA
SEE IT?

MEHEHE
JUSTI DOESN'T
HAVE TO..

WHAT?
IT WON'T
BITE YOU

RICHEK KNOWS!
BUT -

NOW NOW
LEMMIE LET
MY SHIRT.
HEE!

OOOOO I CAN'T
DAT

DOES IT STILL HURT,
JUSTI?

HAH!
NEW..
-HIC-
NO

YOU KNOW RICHEK REALLY
LIKE TO KISS JUSTI RIGHT NOW

RICHEK ALSO LIKE TO STICK
PENIS IN HER, BUT WILL NOT SAY.
NOT WANT TO SOUND CRUDE.

CAN YOU EVEN KISS WITH THAT
SCHNOZ?

CAN KISS W.I.F ANY SCHNOZ
SUGAR BUTT.

TELL ME HOW YOU KNEW
I SHOULD WEAR MY VEST
AND I'LL KISS YOU.

NO NO NO NO NO

CAUSE AFTER RICHEK TELL JUSTI,
JUSTI W'LL NOT WANT TO KISS
RICHEK.

SO KISS FIRST OR NO STORY

MEOW

YUHSJCHAHOU'D K ZAR..

STORY BEGIN

OK... HERE IS STORY..

IN AFGANISTAN.

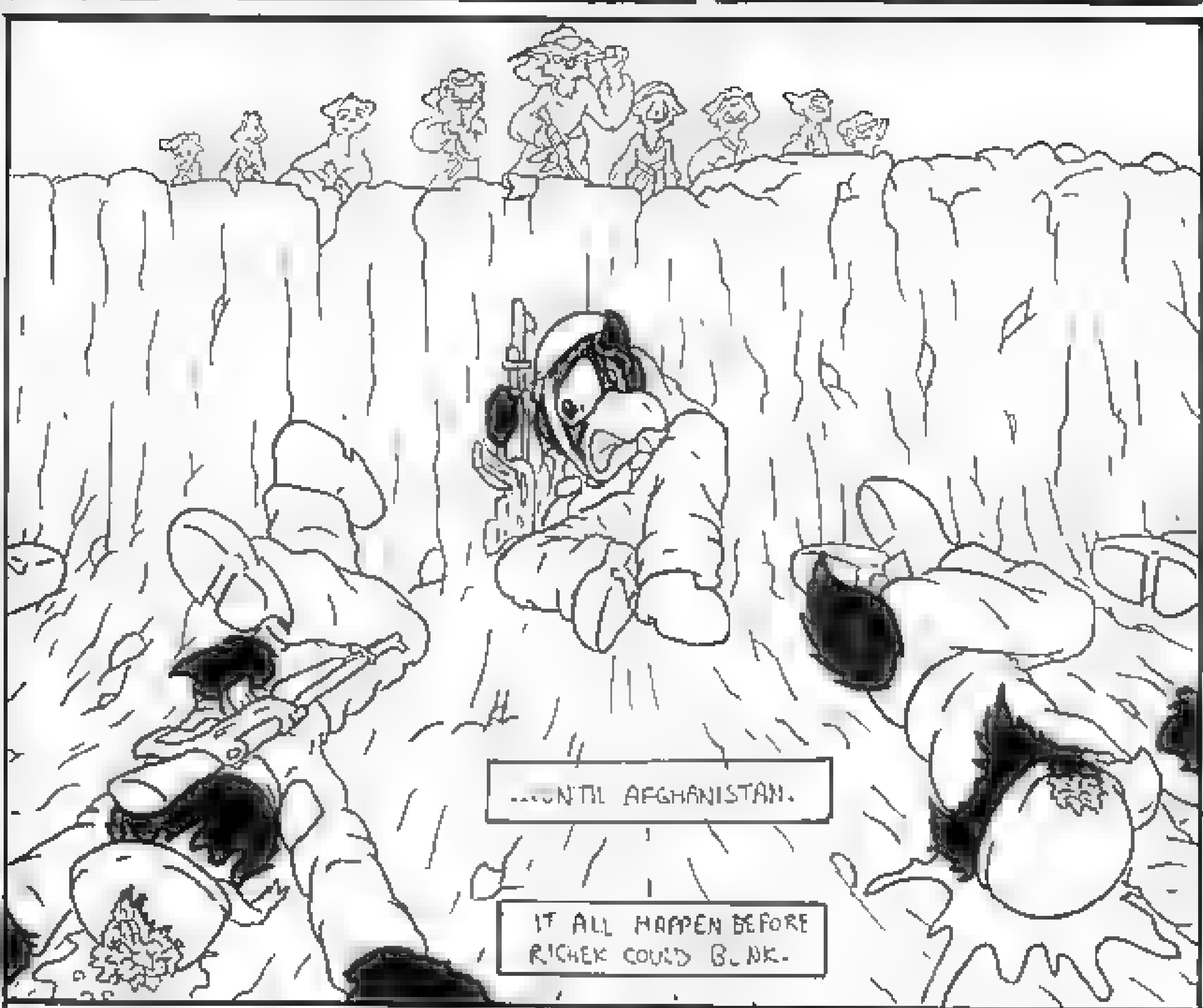
ALL RICHEK'S LIFE HAS BEEN RIDICULED FOR
RICHEK'S SIZE. PEERS IN ARMY NO DIFFERENT



RICHEK'S MOTHER ALWAYS SAY SMALL STATURE
IS BLESSING FROM GOD...



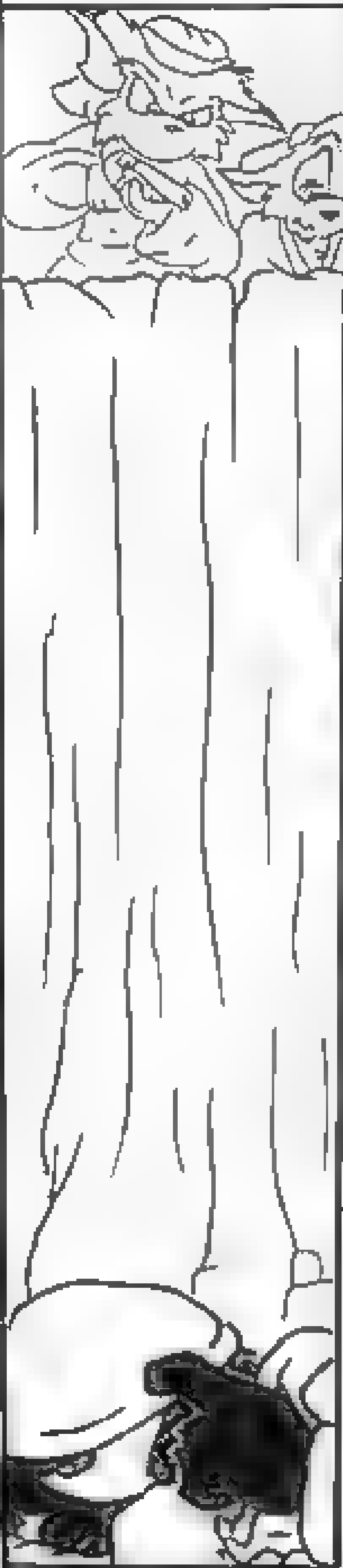
RICHEK ALWAYS LOVE, BUT NEVER
REALLY BELIEVE HIS MOTHER.



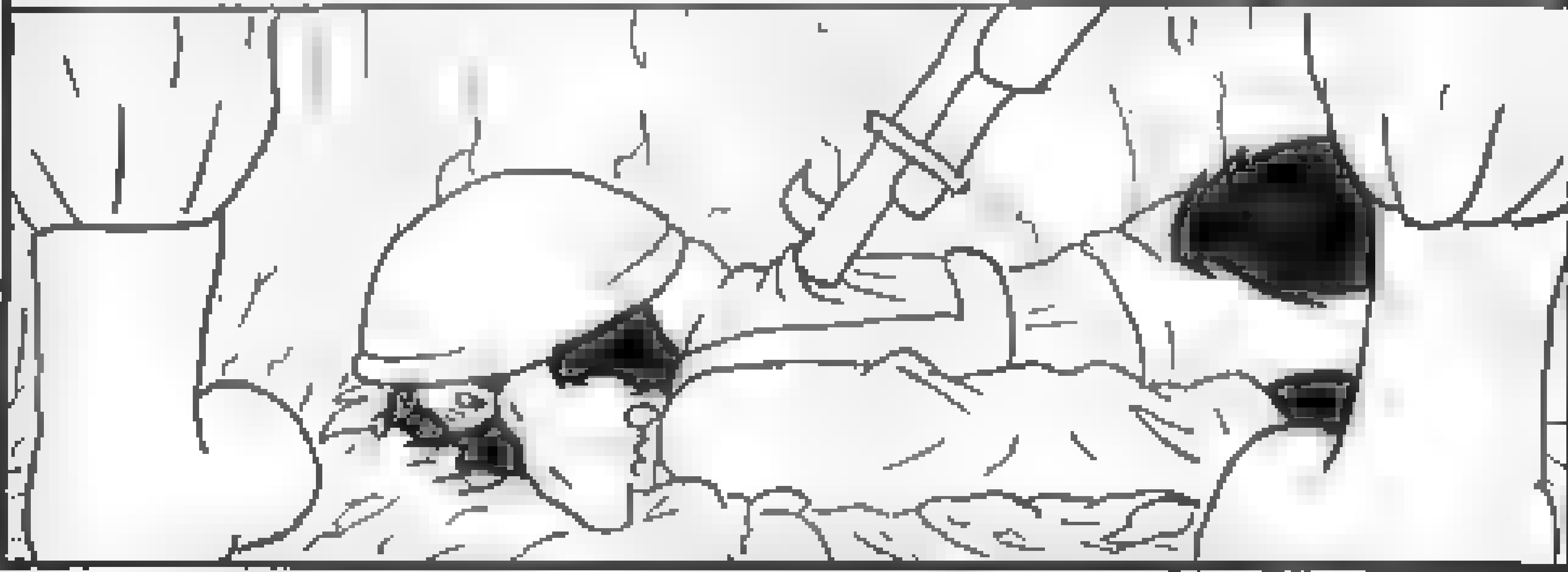
...UNTIL AFGHANISTAN.

IT ALL HAPPEN BEFORE
RICHEK COULD B.L.N.K.

UNDERSTAND RICHEK
NO COWARD BUT ALSO
NOT STUPID. RICHEK
PLAY DEAD AND HOPE
AFGHANIS DON'T
COUNT..



RICHEK KNOW A LITTLE AFGHANI... AND APPARENTLY THEY NOT PAY
TOO CLOSE ATTENTION BECAUSE THEY THINK HE S CHILD.



RICHEK TURN OFF BRAIN.
SIMPLY FOCUS ON BREATHING SO
SLOW IS NOT NOTICEABLE.



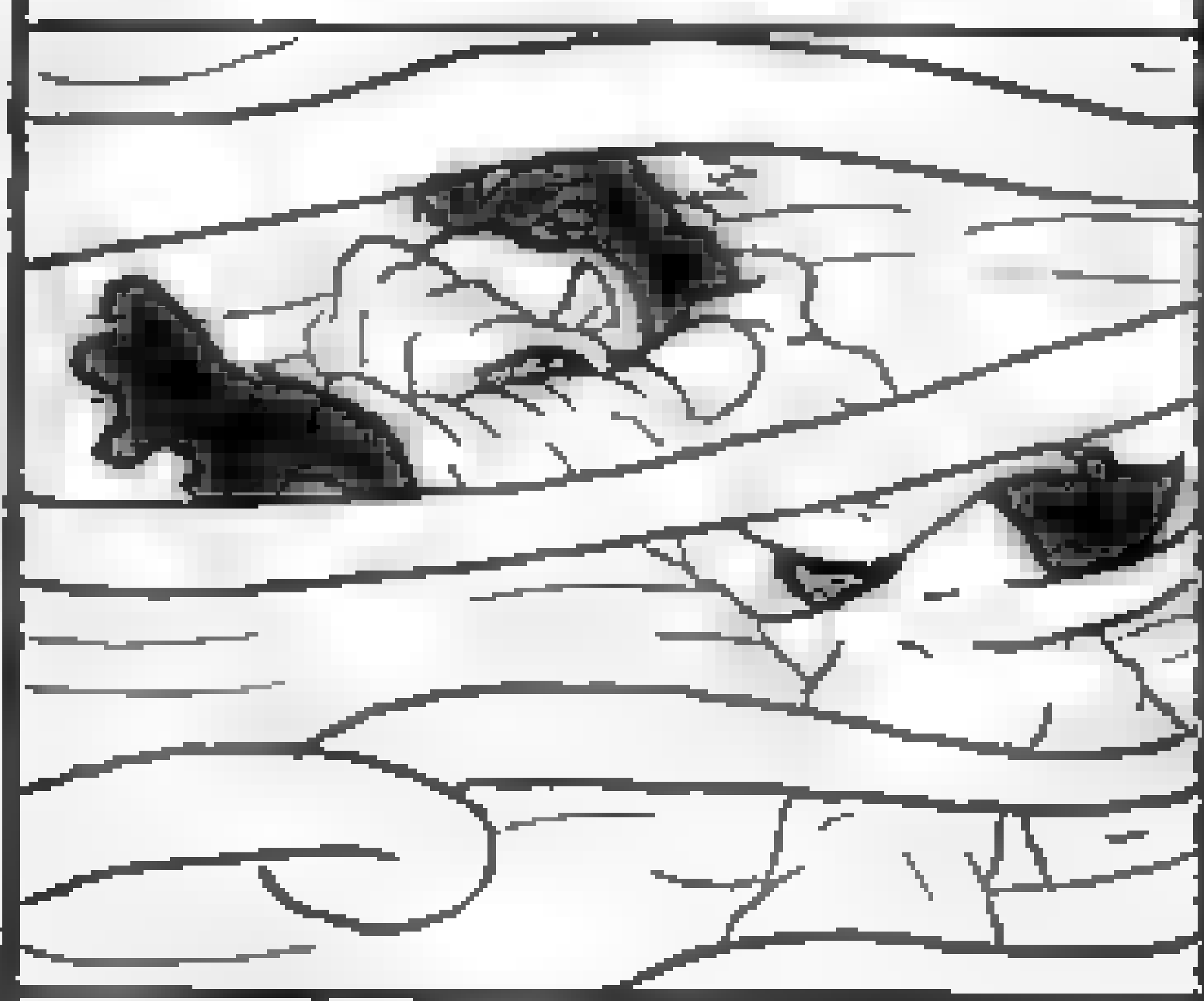
WHEN BRAIN TURN BACK ON, AFGHAN S GONE



RICHEK'S FOOD, WATER AND
GUN HAVE BEEN TAKEN.



RICHEK WALK BACK TO CAMP
BUT FIND RUSSIANS HAVE PULLED
OUT.



THEN STORM HIT.



RICHEK GET VERY LOST



THEN RICHEK SEE NOMAD
IN STORM.



RICHEK CALL TO NOMAD
IN RUSSIAN FOR HELP
AND HOPE HE UNDERSTAND



NOMAD ANSWER IN RUSSIAN
WILL TAKE RICHEK TO
NEARBY RUSSIAN CAMP



STORM CLEARS AND RICHEK ASK
NOMAD'S NAME. WON'T SAY.

SO RICHEK CALL HIM "HARVEY"



WHEN GET TO CAMP, GUARDS
ASK HOW RICHEK SURVIVE THE
STORM.

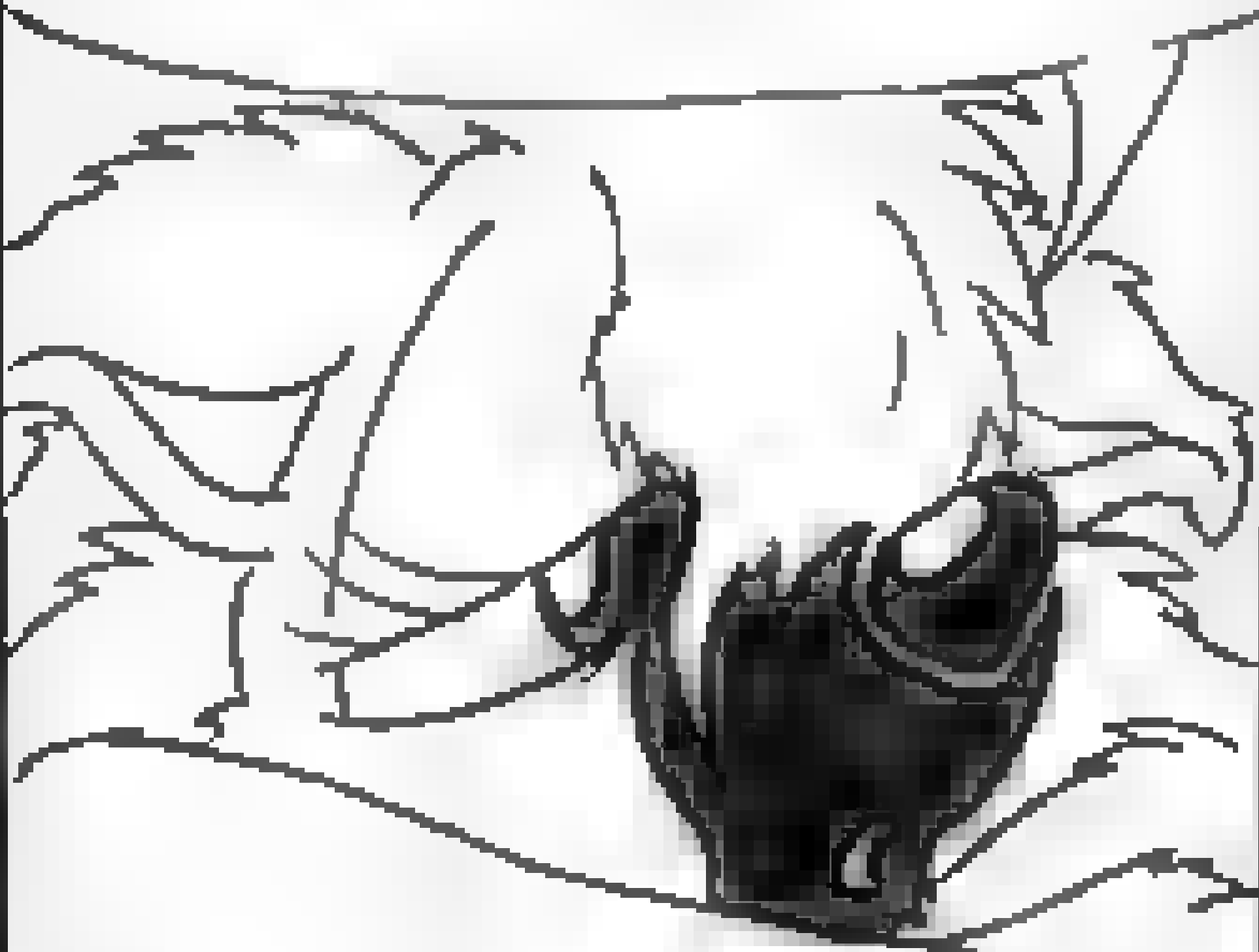


THIS IS WHEN RICHEK COME TO
REALIZATION THAT ONLY ONE WHO CAN
SEE HIS FRIEND HARVEY. .



...IS RICHEK.

WEREN'T YOU WORRIED THE GUARDS
WOULD TELL SOMEONE?



YES BUT GUARDS DIE WHEN CAMP EXPLODE FIVE
MINUTES LATER THIS WHY HARVEY THERE. HE NOT
THERE TO SAVE RICHEK. HE ON HIS WAY TO SAME PLACE AND LEAD
BY CHANCE.



THEN WHY WAS
HARVEY GOING?



HE THREATENED THE GUARDS, YOU
SEE, BECAUSE WAS SENT TO COLLECT
THEM. HARVEY IS ANGEL OF DEATH.
A TRAVELING CORPSE.



...YOU SAW THE GRIM
REAPER?



NOW IS POINT WHERE JUSTI
THINK 'OH! HAVE LET MADMAN
INTO MY HOUSE!



OH NO NO NO NO



THEN JUSTI ONE
OF NICE ONES WHO
THINK 'POOR RICHEK
GONE THROUGH SO MUCH,
NO WONDER MIND DOESN'T
WORK?'

WELL.



IS FINE. RICHEK ALREADY
KNEW JUSTI IS NICE

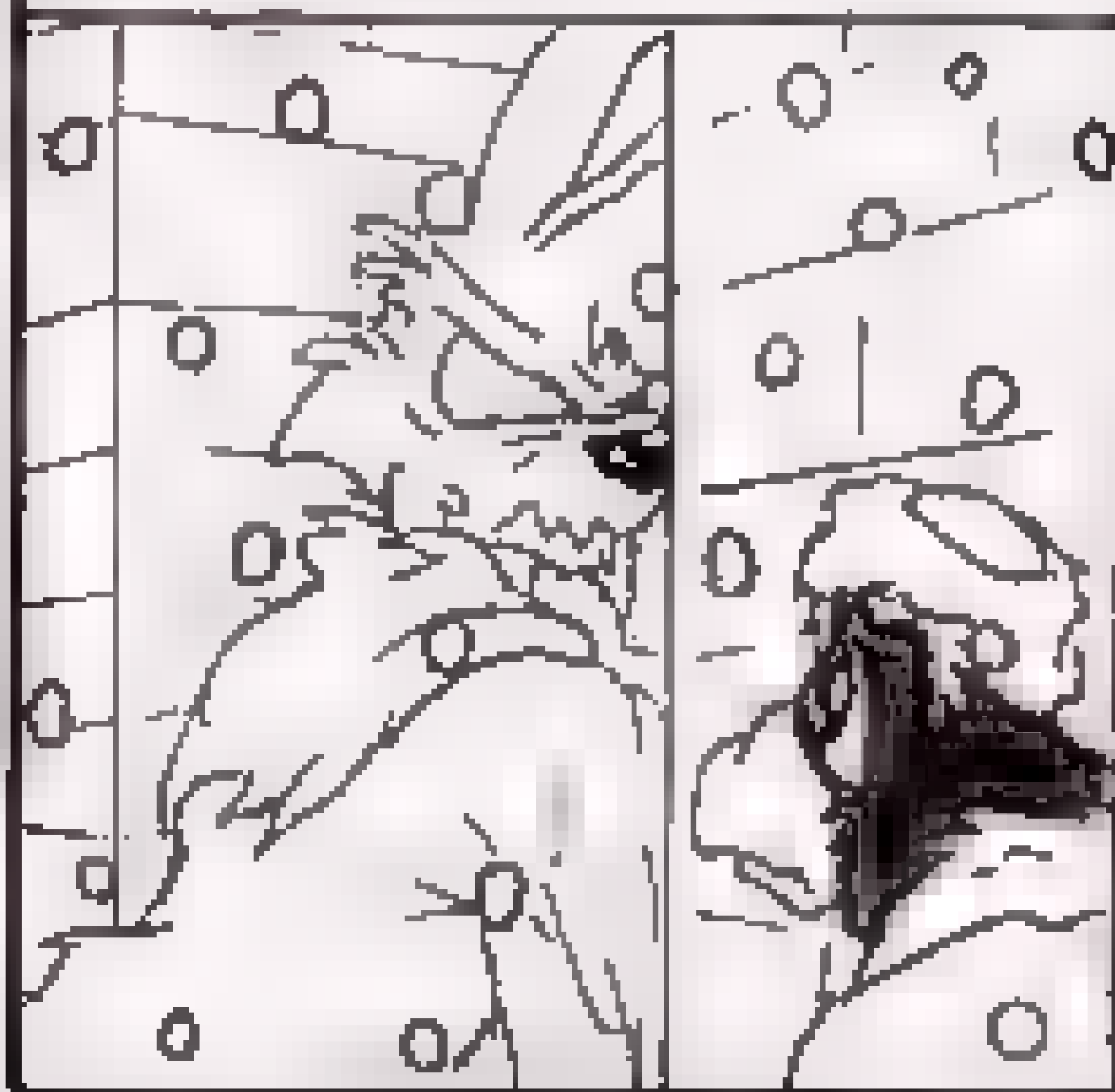
RICHEK SEES HARVEY MANY MORE
TIMES IN AFGHANISTAN. OCCASIONALLY,
HARVEY NOTICES RICHEK.



WHEN RICKEK COME HOME AND ENTER POLICE FORCE, STILL SEE HARVEY FROM TIME TO TIME, BUT RICKEK NOT TELL ANYONE..



RICKEK STARTS TO FOLLOW HARVEY WHEN CAN.



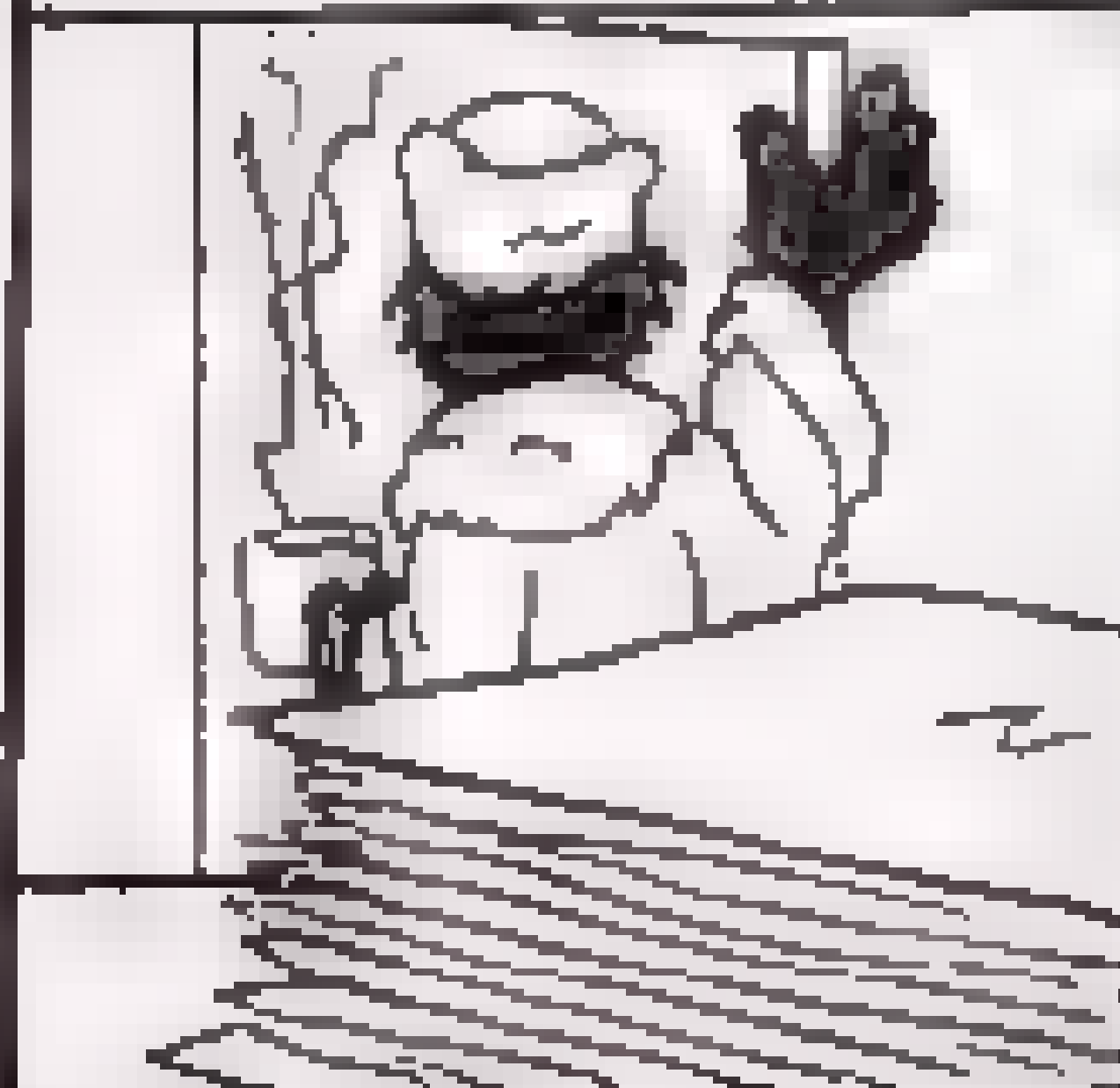
AND SOMETIMES WOULD STILL CATCH KILLER AT SCENE OF CRIME.



ONE YEAR AGO, RICKEK RECIEVE NEW ASSIGNMENT. SEVENTEEN LITTLE GIRLS ALL MURDERED OVER EIGHTEEN YEARS BY SAME MAN.

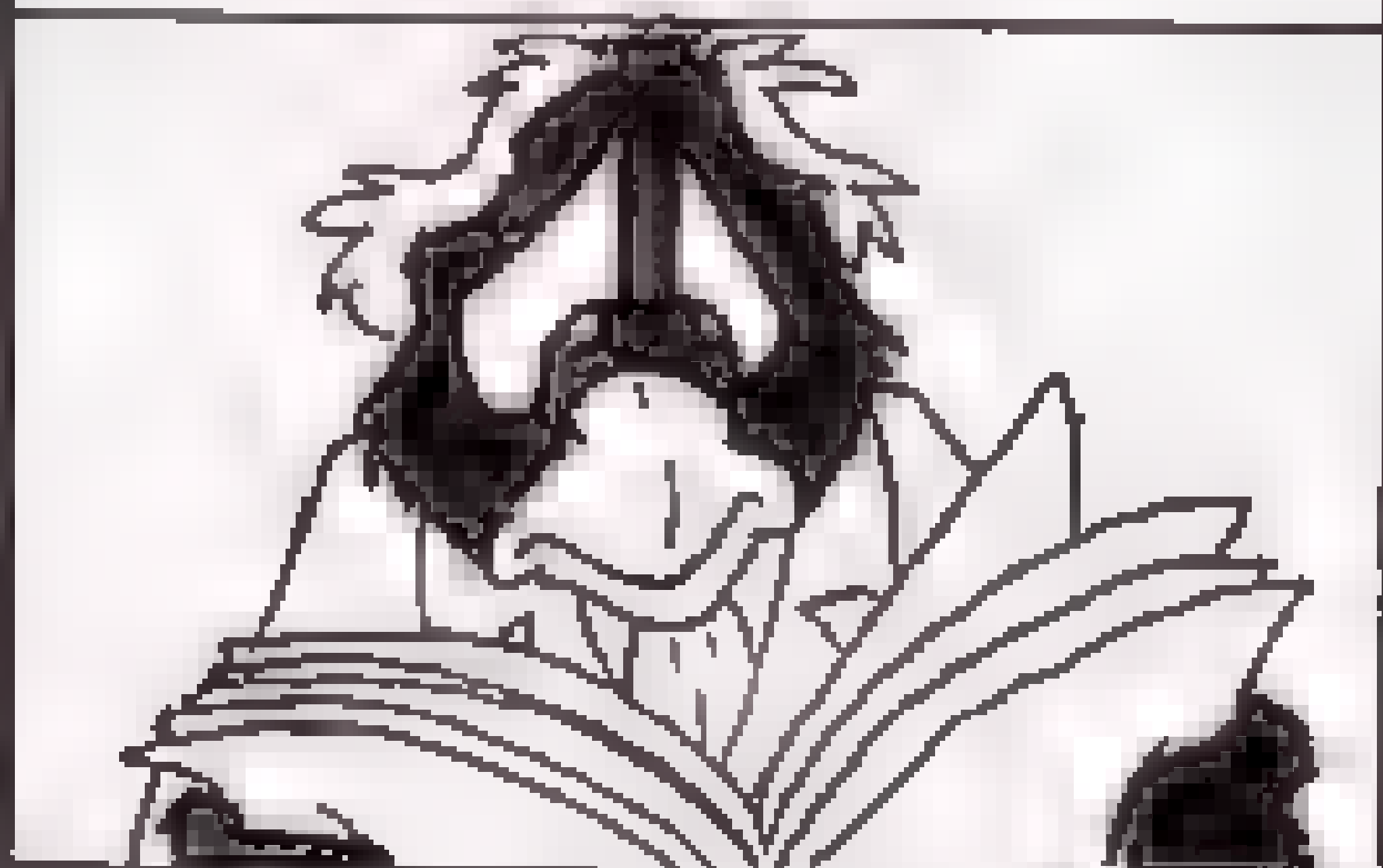


5 & OTHER OFFICERS TRY TO SOLVE CASE. SUPERVISOR SAY WHEN KILLER GETS TO TWENTY.



WILL PASS CASE ON TO NEXT ROOKIE DETECTIVE

RICKEK LOOK AT PHOTOS, READ PAPERS REPORTS AND LETTERS BY KILLER INSTRUCTING POLICE WHERE TO FIND BODIES. ALL SIGNED V.G.



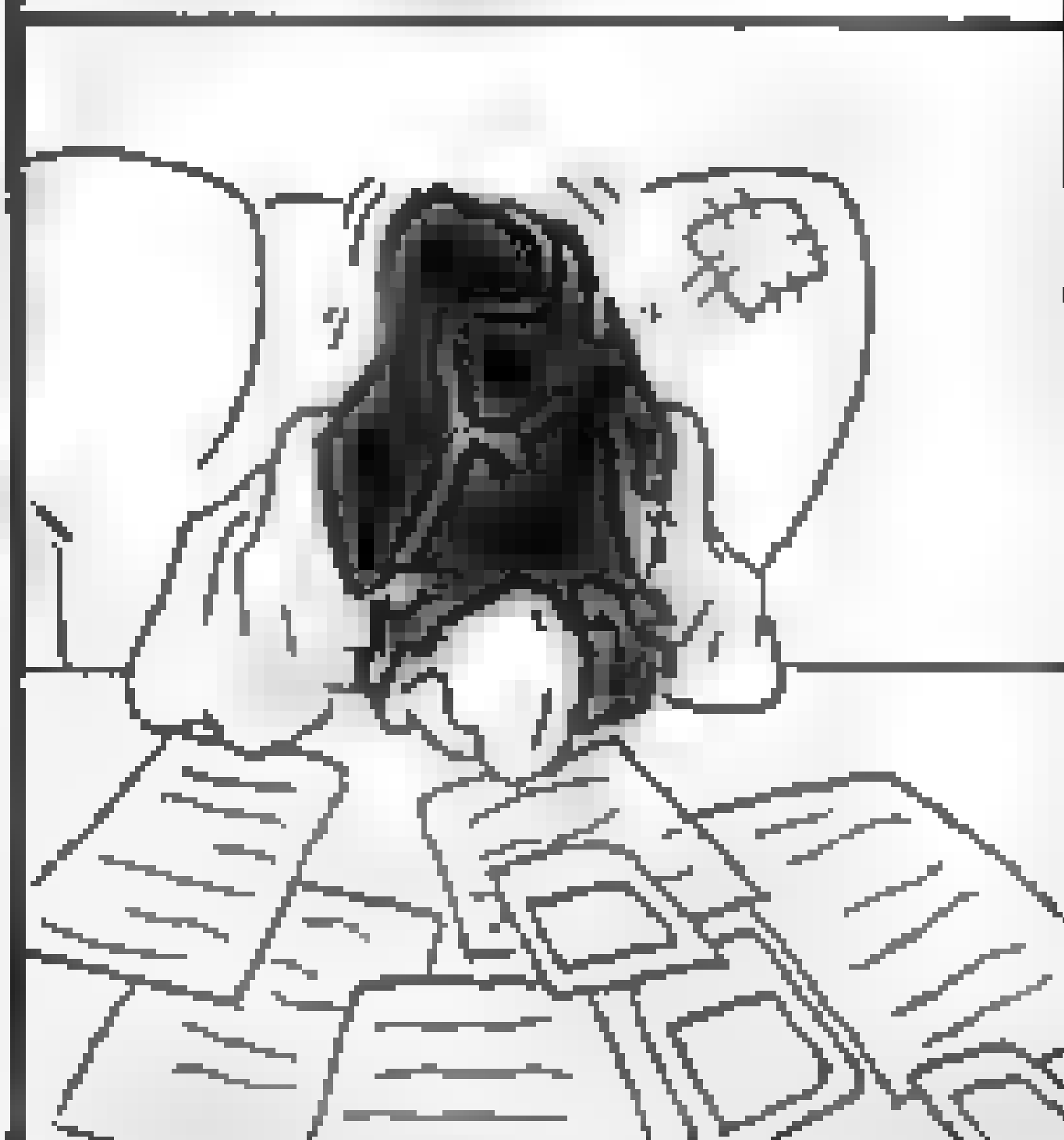
RICKEK WAS OVERWHELMED.

FOR MONTHS, RICHEL
WORK ON CASE. KILLER
GET TO EIGHTEEN.



ONE NIGHT, WHEN RETURNING
TO OFFICE FROM TRIP TO
INTERVIEW PARENTS.

RICHEL BREAK DOWN. THINK HE
IS NEVER GOING TO FIND MAN
WHO KILLS THESE CHILDREN.
SO HE BEGS GOD TO SEND HIM AN
ANGEL TO HELP.



THEN RICHEL GETS A
VISITOR



THE REAPER TOLD YOU
WHO THE GIRLS' KILLER
WAS?



YES. RICKEK WAS ON
PHONE WITH RECORDS
WHILE SUPERVISOR CROAKED
IN NEXT ROOM.



DID HE EVER TALK TO YOU
AGAIN?



OCCASIONALLY,
YES.



AFTER. WHEN RICKEK SEE HARVEY
AND RICKEK WOULD FOLLOW HARVEY.

HARVEY WOULD NOD OR
SHAKE HEAD IF RICKEK
SHOULD FOLLOW OR NOT.



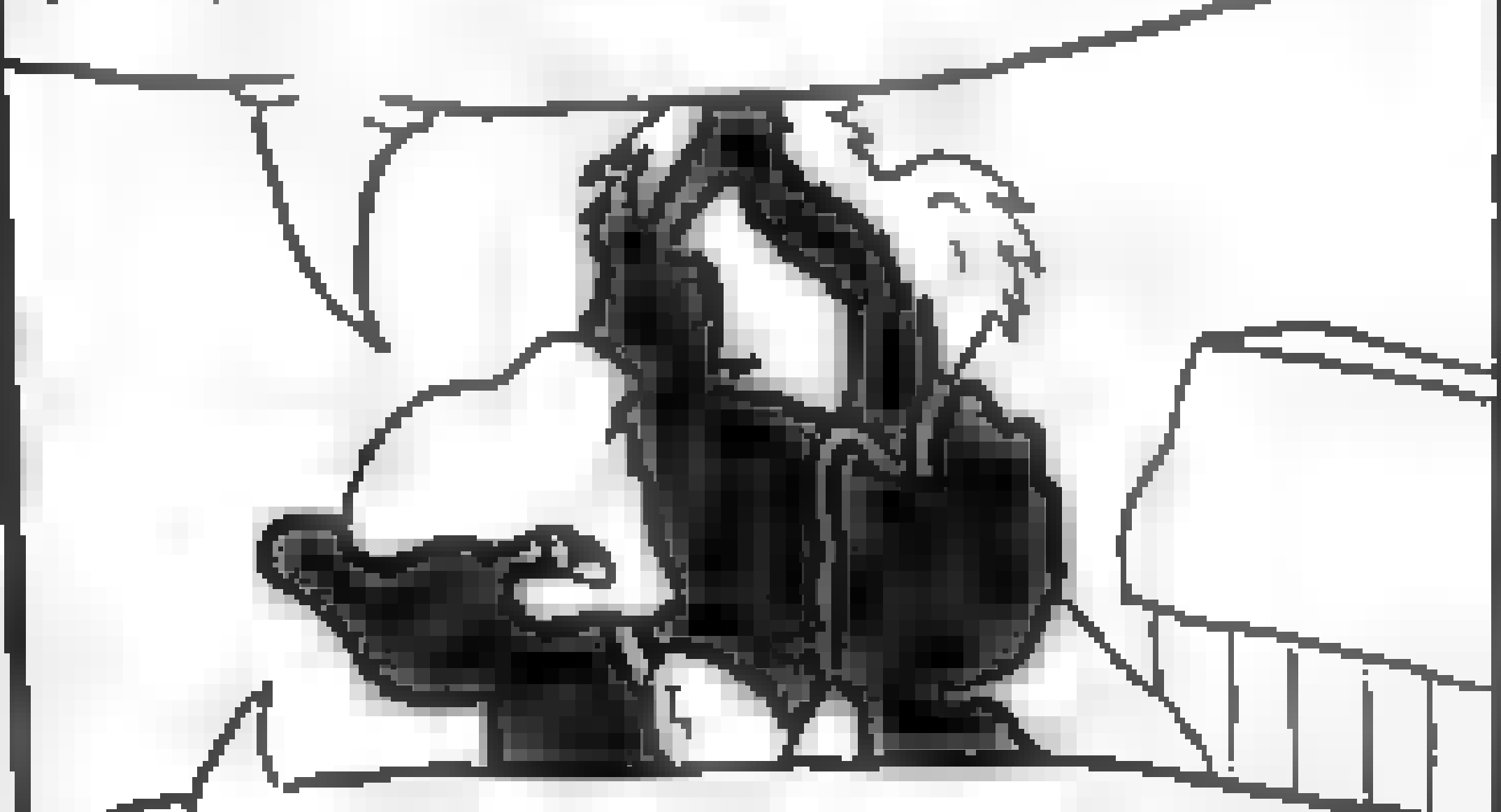
ONE DAY AT
MURDER SITE

HARVEY WAS FIRST TO
TELL RICKEK HIS MOTHER
HAD DIED.



HARVEY GIVE RICKEK
MESSAGE FROM HER.

ONE TIME IN PASSING HARVEY TELL
RICKEK THAT WHENEVER DEVIL DRAWS
PAGE WITH RICKEK ON IT, DEVIL MUST
BUY NEW MARKER.



RICKEK NOT KNOW WHAT THIS MEANS.

BUT SCARES SHIT OUT OF
RICKEK, NOT ONLY DOES
DEVIL KNOW RICKEK'S NAME...



... RICKEK IS COSTING
DEVIL MONEY SOMEHOW!

WHAT ABOUT GRIGINSKY?



FOLLOWING LEADS, RICKEK
TRACK SEVERAL J KOSLAV
GRIGINSKYS



ACTION COUNT BECOMES
NINETEEN..

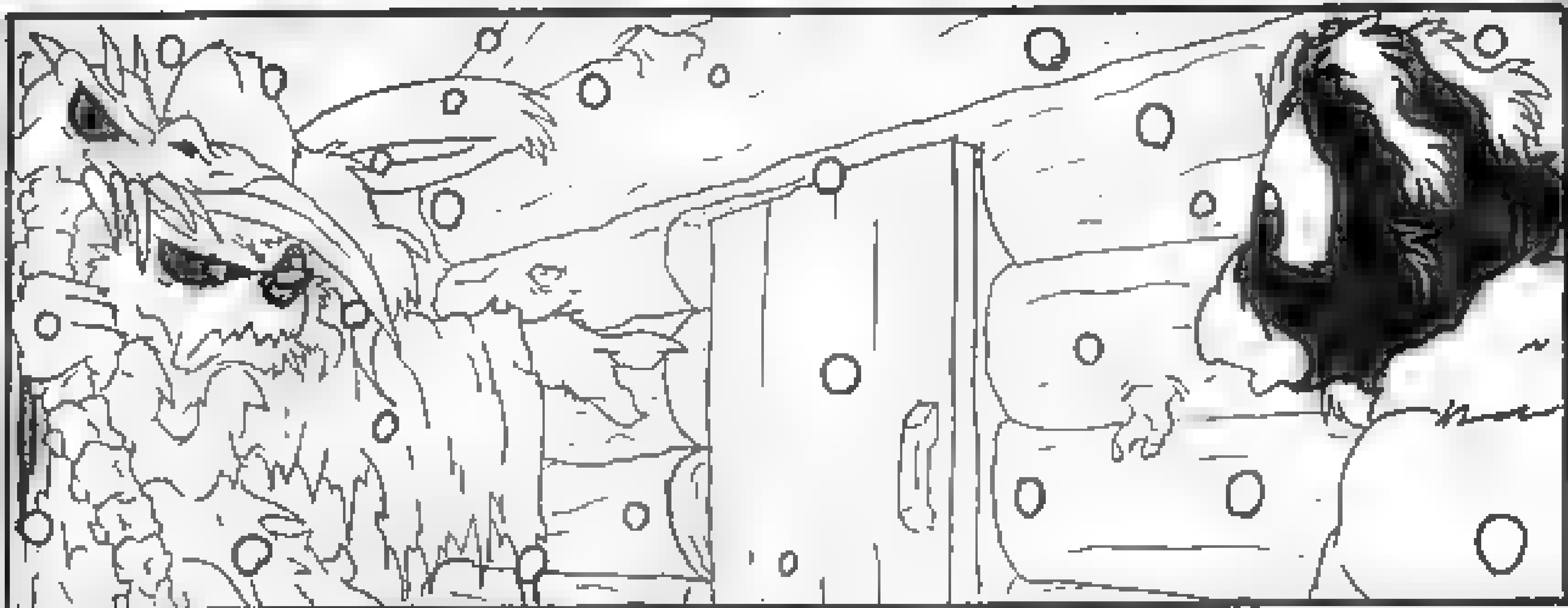
EVENTUALLY RICHEK NARROW
DOWN SUSPECTS.



RICHEK COME TO A FARMING
COUPLE WHO ARE RENTING
A SHED TO A "CRIGNSKY"



AS SOON AS RICHEK SEE
SHED, HE KNOWS HE HAS
FOUND RIGHT CRIGNSKY



<HURRY!>



AND WAS HE IN THERE...??



OH YES..

GRIGINSKY WAS THERE WITH LITTLE GIRL
NUMBER TWENTY, STILL ALIVE.



RICHEK'S FACED
WITH PROBLEM



GRIGINSKY LETS GIRL GO .. SAYS WILL LEAVE
QUIETLY, CLAIMS IS SICK AND NEEDS HELP



MAY BE TRUE ..



BUT SOMEHOW ..



RICHEK KNOW



HARVEY



WILL NOT GO BACK TO HELL ALONE



RICHEK NOT FEEL SORRY
FOR KILLING GRIGINSKY.



ALMOST DID, THOUGH WHEN SEE WHAT HARVEY DO TO GRIGINSKY.
EVEN THOUGH KNOW LITTLE GIRL CANNOT SEE.. RICHEK
COVER HER EYES.



ITS TRUE. RICHEK LET A MAN
ONLY HE COULD SEE DECIDE WHETHER
ANOTHER MAN LIVE OR DIE. CRAZY
MAN, YES?



RICHEK KNOW HE COULD NOT
STOP HARVEY IF HE CAME FOR
JUSTI, BUT HAD TO TRY...
SO YOU SEE..



<OY... THANK YOU GOD>





HEY! RICHEK, GET UP!



HUH? HOW DO
MY--

I'VE GOT A CAB COMING, SO
CAN PICK UP MY CAR



WE'RE BOTH RUNNING A LITTLE
LATE

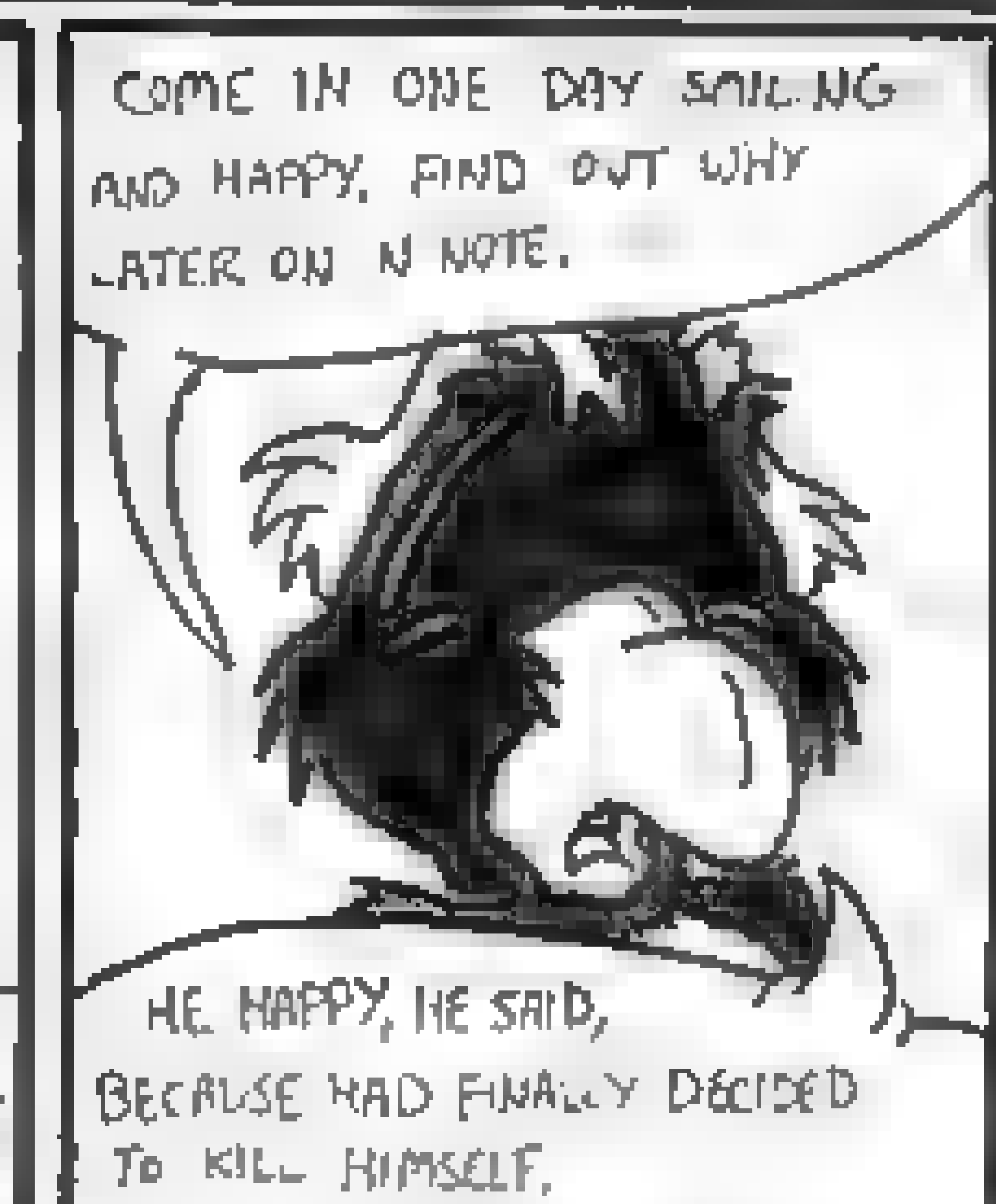


UM.. MAY BE STUPID QUESTION
BUT..UM..

DOES IT MATTER?



YES! IF HAPPENED, RICHEK KIND OF WANT
TO REMEMBER!



OH, RICHEK?



ABOUT LAST NIGHT?



YOU WERE CRAP.



BYE!

RICHEK WAS DRUNK!



GUH...



HEH, LOVE YOU TOO SUGAR BUTT...





MORNIN' COMRADE

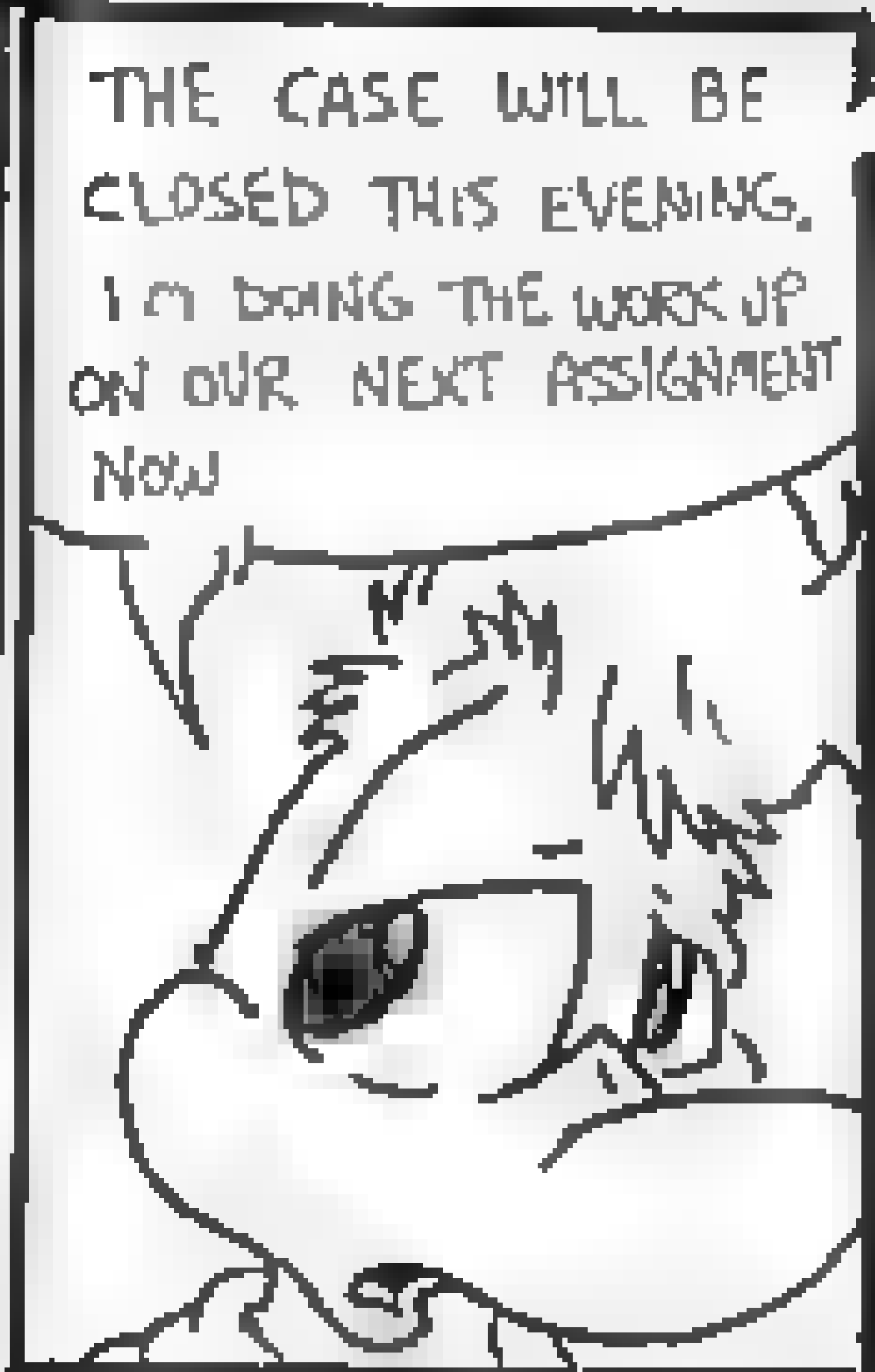


THIS BARTLEBY IS FUNNY MAN, YES?



JENNY?

NOPE.



THE CASE WILL BE CLOSED THIS EVENING. I'M DOING THE WORK UP ON OUR NEXT ASSIGNMENT NOW

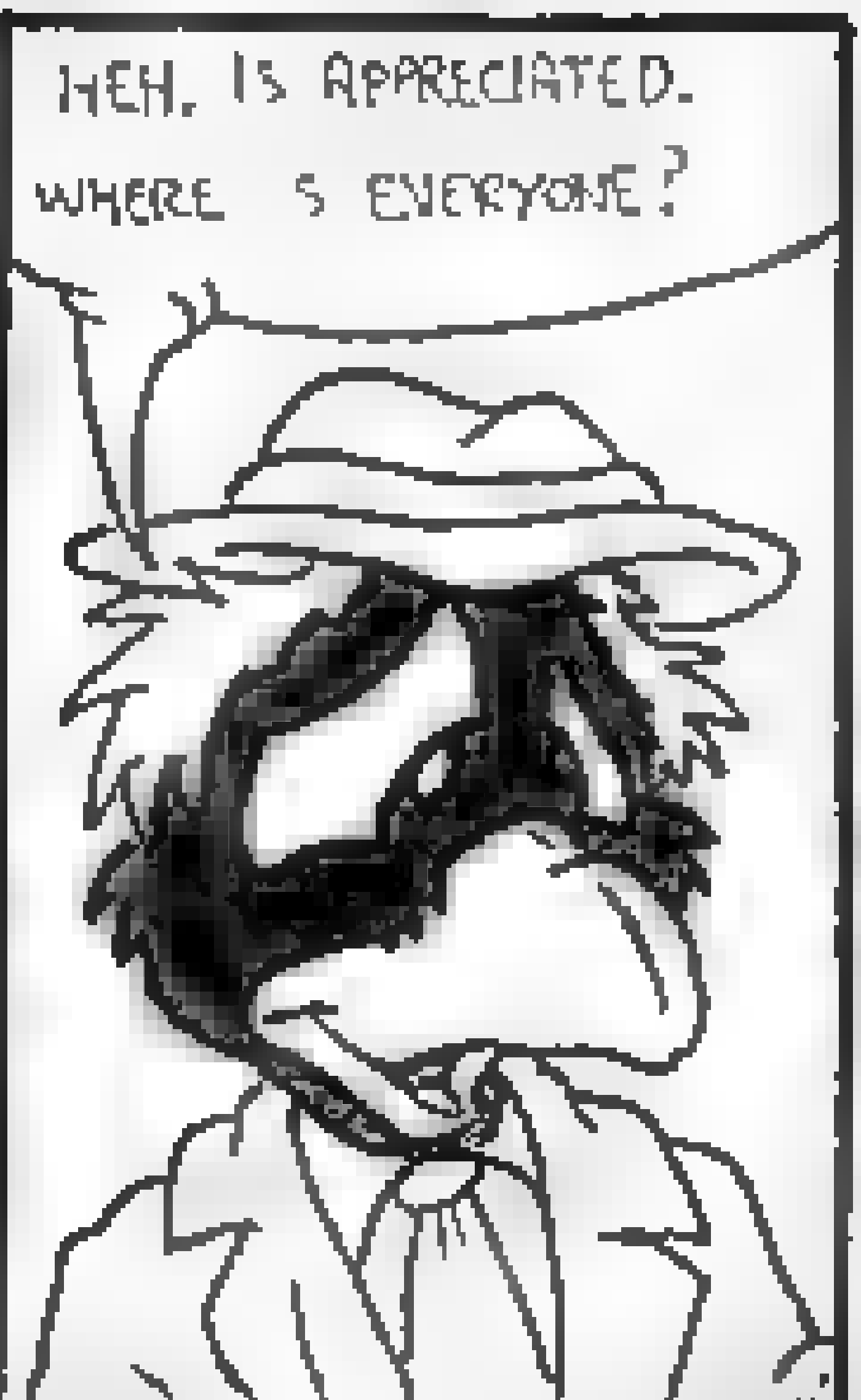


WHICH MEANS YOU'LL BE HEADED BACK SOON?

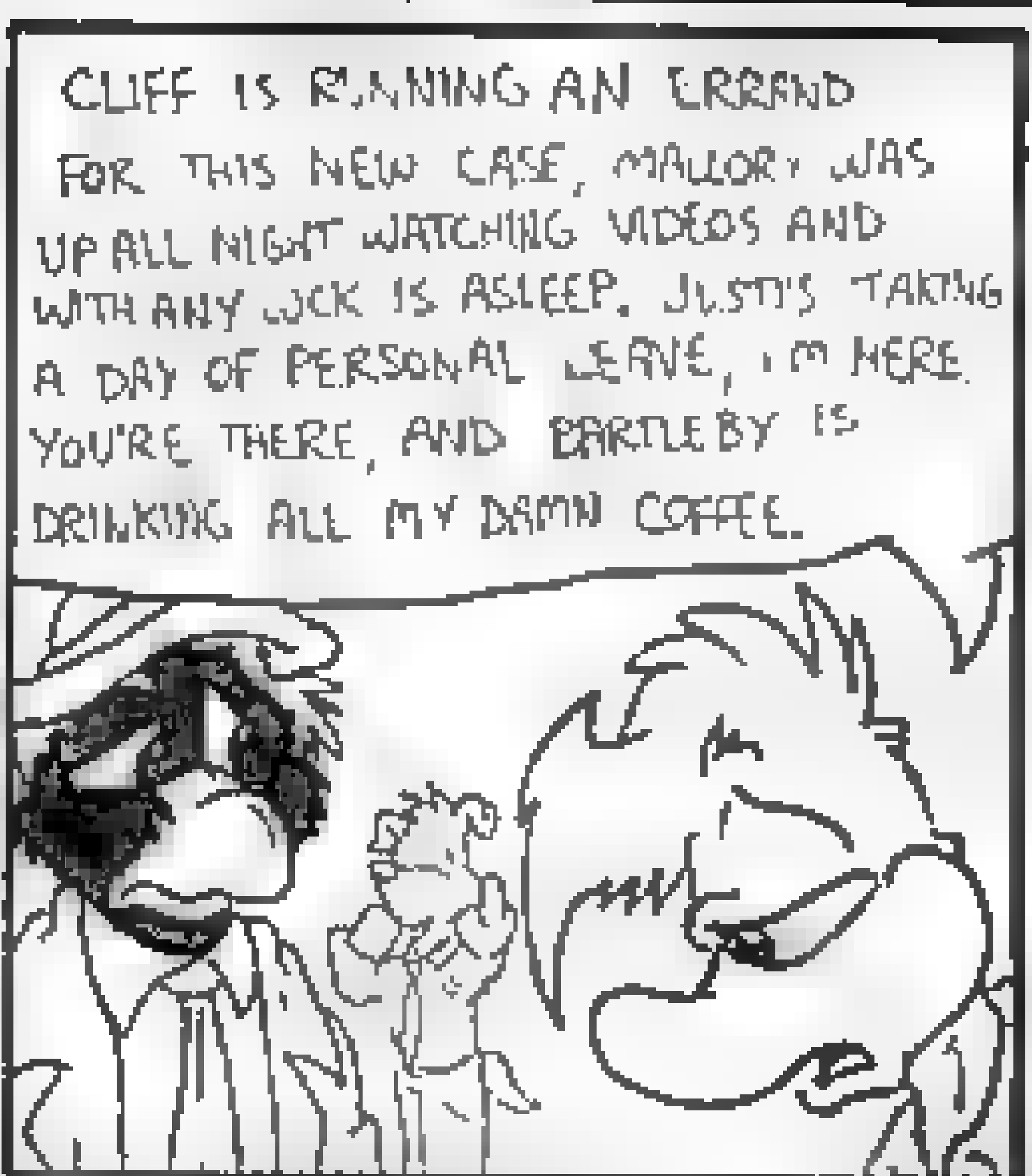
YES, BUT WOULD CERTAINLY LIKE TO RETURN



GOOD. BECAUSE I'VE ALREADY PUT IN THE PAPERS TO GET YOU BACK AS SOON AS THEY CAN MANAGE IT.



HEH. IS APPRECIATED. WHERE'S EVERYONE?



CLIFF IS RUNNING AN ERRAND FOR THIS NEW CASE, MALLORY WAS UP ALL NIGHT WATCHING VIDEOS AND WITH ANY LUCK IS ASLEEP. JUSTIS TAKING A DAY OF PERSONAL LEAVE, I'M HERE YOU'RE THERE, AND BARTLEBY IS DRINKING ALL MY DAMN COFFEE.

HEY RICKEK?

Hmm?

WHAT DID YOU TELL JUST
THIS MORNING?

IN RELATION TO WHAT?

SHE JUST CALLED THE
BOSS. SOMETHING YOU SAID
TO HER MADE HER WANT
"CHECK IN ON MALLORY"

RICKEK JUST TELL JUST
ABOUT FORMER COWORKER

SHE CALLED TO ASK ABOUT
THE LEGAL RAMIFICATIONS
INVOLVED WITH ENTERING
MALLORY'S HOME UNWANTED

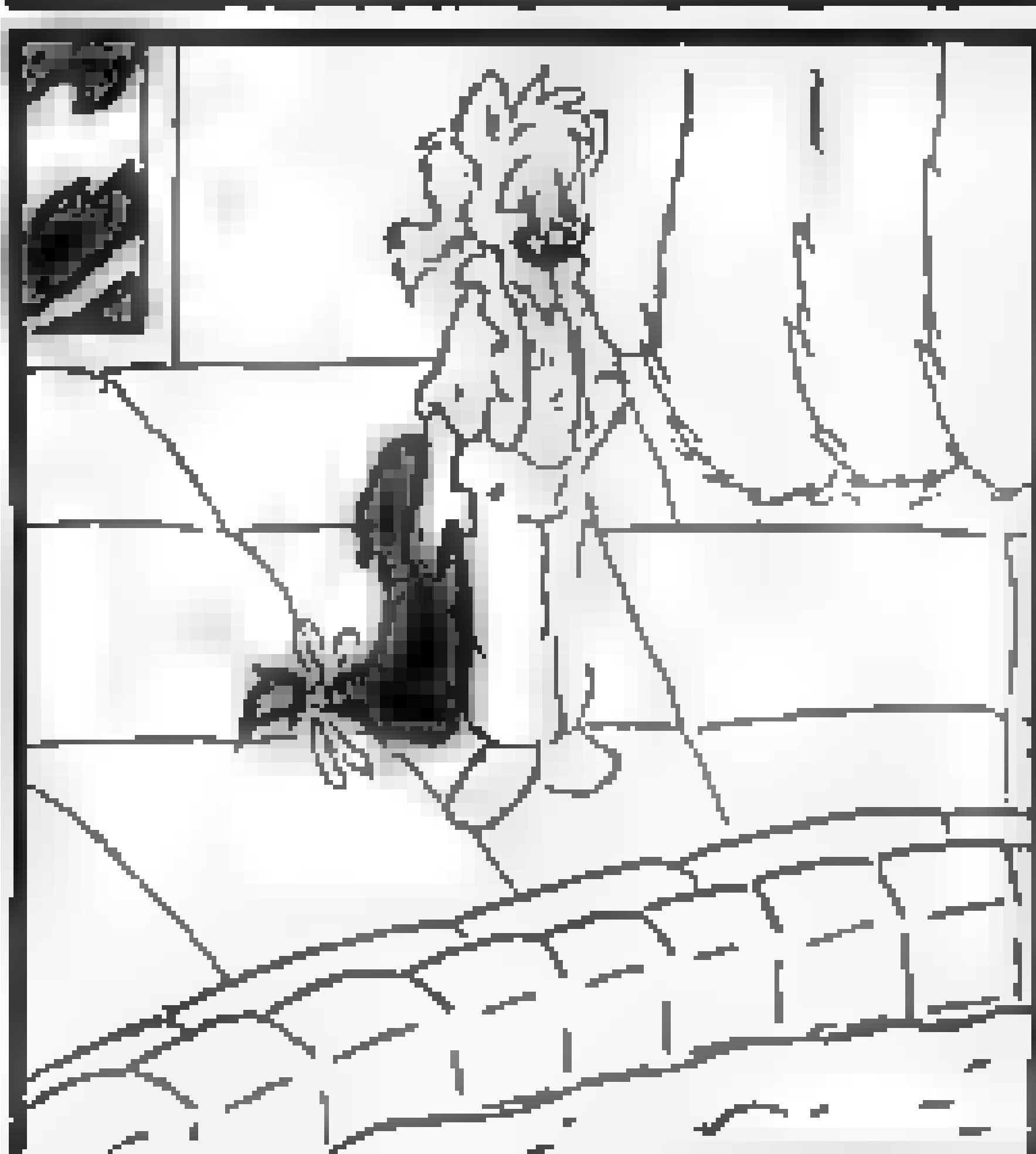
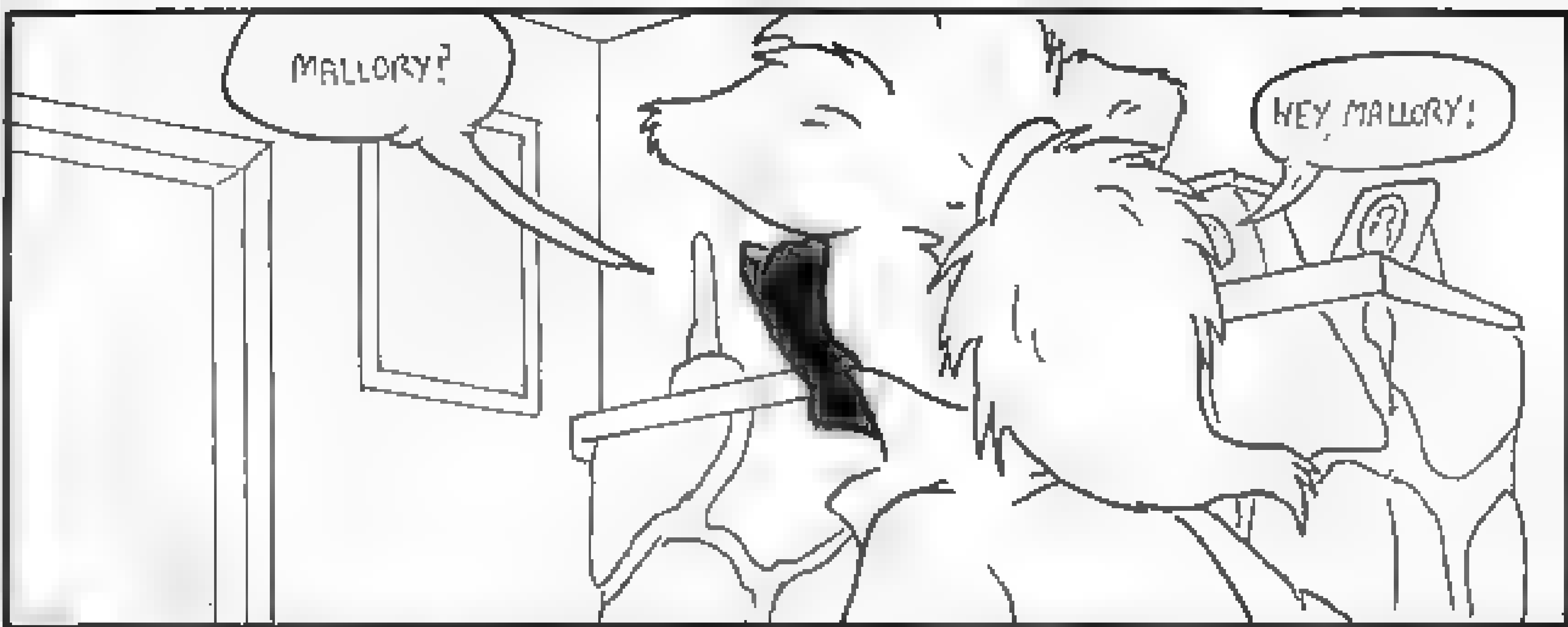
SHE SAID SOMETHING SPOILED
OFF, DEAD, EVEN.

SHE DIDNT ASK US TO
BUT THE BOSS-

YES. LET'S GO.

MALLORY?

ARE YOU
OKAY?









YES TIME IS DIFFERENT IN HELL THE REAPER SAID
BUT I NEVER...



DRIP!!









BUT IF HARVEY HERE
THEN—



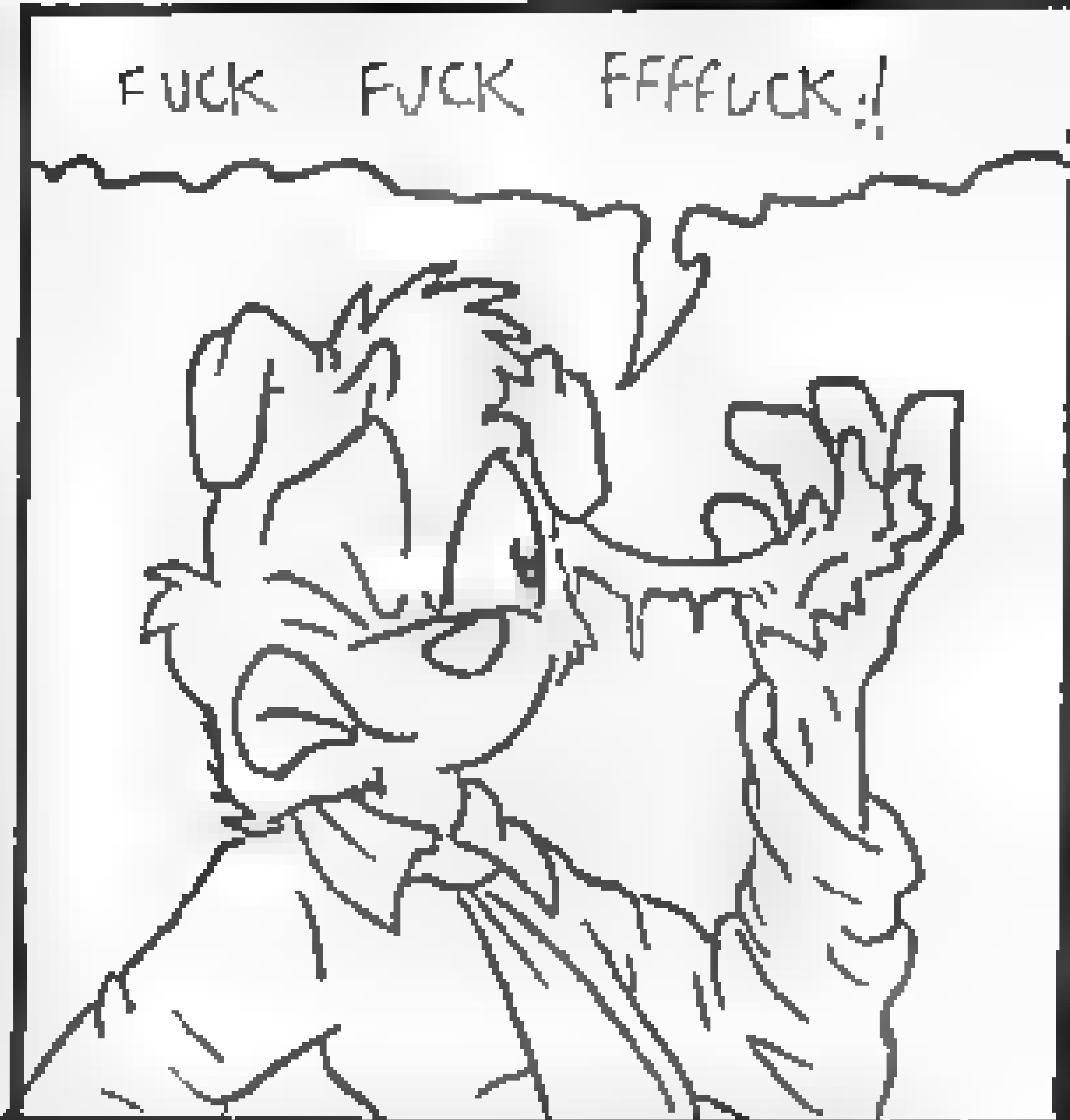
BARTLEBY!!



NHN...F - FH - FF...UUCK



FUCK FUCK FFFUCK!!







THERE YOU ARE...



JUST KILLING CLOCK BEFORE NEED TO DRIVE TO AIRPORT, SUGARBUTT.

OH...

WHATCHYA READING?



MIN, BAD NEWS. "BLACKMAIL DRAMA STIRS SMALL TOWN, LEAVING TWO DEAD AND PROMINENT FATHER IN PRISON WITH PERP STILL RUNNING FREE". YOUR NEXT CASE?



YEAH, ITS GONNA BE UGLY. WISH WE COULD GET YOUR HELP ON IT.

INTERESTED?



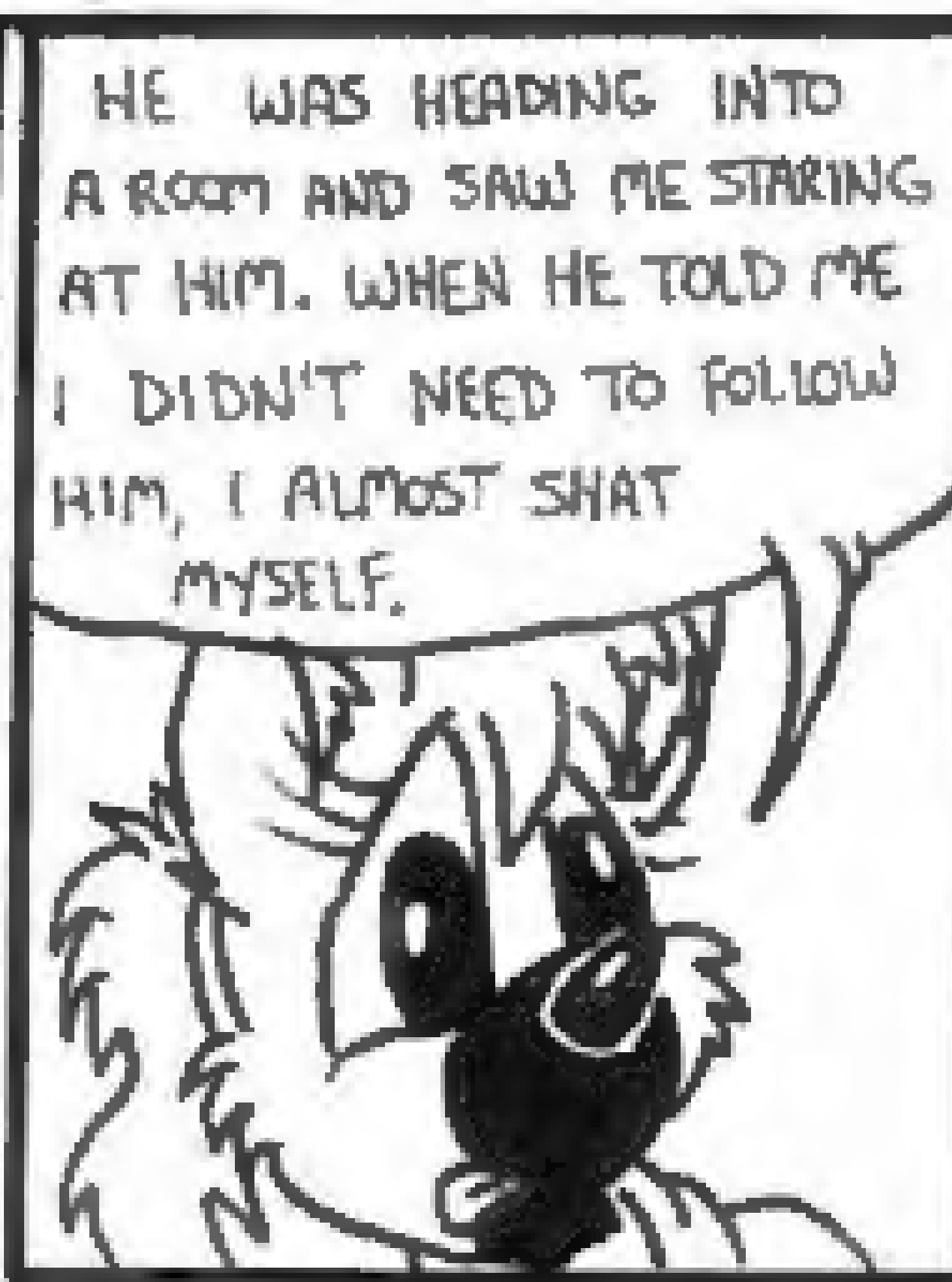
LIVE IN AMERICA...

RICHEK DID THINK ABOUT IT...



I SAW HARVEY
YESTERDAY WHILE VISITING
BARTLEY IN THE
HOSPITAL

OH?



HE WAS HEADING INTO
A ROOM AND SAW ME STARING
AT HIM. WHEN HE TOLD ME
I DIDN'T NEED TO FOLLOW
HIM, I ALMOST SHAT
MYSELF.



WHY CAN YOU AND I
SEE HIM WHEN NO ONE
ELSE CAN?



IS QUESTION RICKEK
HAS WONDERED BEFORE.

OTHERS WHO'VE NEARLY
DIED CANNOT SEE HIM.

RICKEK THINK
EITHER OUR PROPER DEATHS
WERE INTERRUPTED.

MINE BY HARVEY
HIMSELF IN
DESERT.

JUST'S BY CREATURE
YOU SAW HARVEY
FIGHT.



AND IF DEAD CAN SEE REAPER
WHY NOT THOSE OF US WHO
EXIST ON, HOW YOU SAY,
"BORROWED TIME"



OR COULD BE MUCH
SIMPLER...

HARVEY COULD BE
JUST LIKE ANY OTHER
LONELY OLD MAN

AND JUST WANTS SOMEONE TO
NOTICE HE'S THERE.

ITS JUST ABOUT TIME. YOU
SHOWER, I'LL GET DRESSED,
AND WE'LL HEAD TO THE
AIRPORT.



TOES MAY NOT BE ABLE TO
TELL DIFFERENCE, BUT IS NICE
PLACE. WILL NEED TO RETURN
TO AMERICA.



LAST NIGHT...? WAS NOT
CRAP.



HELL! RICHEK MAY NEVER
LEAVE!

